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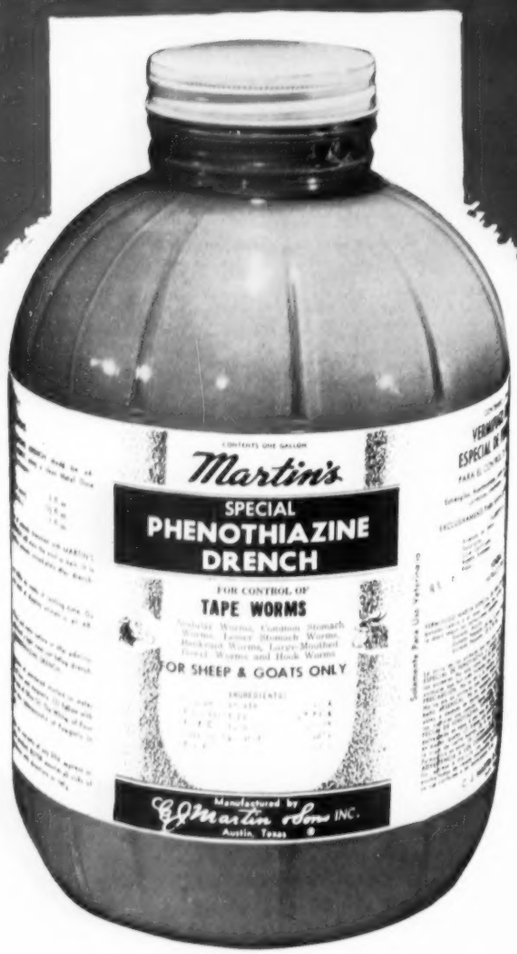

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ERNEST WILLIAMS
Executive Secretary

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Headquarters will be the Frontier Hotel.

Association members in Bandera County are invited to the meeting and President McCord urges their attendance at all meetings; especially to the general meeting which will be held in the high school auditorium after lunch.

For those wishing to spend Friday night it is suggested that they write one of the following: Lost Valley Guest Ranch, Frontier Hotel, Flying L Guest Ranch, Dixie Dude Ranch, Pillows Courts, Billings Courts, Half Circle Courts, Oak Wood Courts, Mayan Guest Ranch, or the Bandera Hotel.

COUNTERVAILING DUTIES

President McCord has just been notified (February 27) by Congressman O. C. Fisher that the Treasury Department had advised him it had decided there was no reason to change the present 6% countervailing duty on Uruguayan wool tops.

The TS&GRA sent wires to all Texas Congressmen early in January protesting a reported move by the Treasury Department to remove these countervailing or additional duties imposed three years ago because that government was subsidizing the export of the top by currency manipulation. The countervailing duty was an extra duty or charge in addition to the regular duty. It will remain at 6%, according to Mr. Fisher.

PREDATORY ANIMAL APPROPRIATION INCREASE

Mr. Fisher has also notified the Association office that the House of Representatives had passed the Interior Department appropriations bill containing an increase of $250,000 for predatory animal control. This increase brings the total appropriation for that work in cooperation with all the states to over one million dollars.

ALL-AGRICULTURE WATER MEETING

A meeting which could be remembered for its importance was held here in San Angelo February 24. Representatives of five state-wide agricultural organizations, the Texas Grange, Texas Farm Bureau, Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, and Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association, agreed to work together on a coordinated plan for the conservation and equitable distribution of state waters.

The committee stressed the importance of protecting the rights of all users, namely domestic, municipal, agricultural, industrial and recreational.

The next meeting of the committee, whose members and alternates will be selected by the parent organizations, will be in Austin, April 19.

ORGANIZATION FOR TRADE COOPERATION

Your Association will have representatives in Washington about the middle of March to appear before the House Ways and Means Committee in oppositon to HR 5550. This is the bill allowing for United States participation in the Organization for Trade Cooperation.

It sounds innocent enough, but it is another world organization in which the United States would have only one vote. It is against the best interests of those industries, of which we are one, that have to compete with foreign imports.

The Nation-Wide Committee of Industry, Agriculture and Labor on Import-Export Policy, which has the wide representation its name implies, is leading the fight against passage of HR 5550.

PROTEST RAISE IN FREIGHT RATES

Charles A. Stewart, former Traffic Counsel for this Association and the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association and now Secretary-Manager of the latter group, has filed a petition with the Railroad Commission of Texas requesting postponement of hearing on the general increase of 7% in our Texas rates.

NEW FEED CONTROL LAW

The Association's Feed Law Committee spent two days at College Station in mid-month with representatives of other producer organizations and the manufacturers and distributors of feeds in an effort to agree on a feed control act to present to the next legislature.

It will be remembered that the two groups could not get together on a number of points last year and as a result no new law was passed.

Several of last year's differences were eliminated at the College Station meeting and it begins to look like good chances for a bill even better than the one presented last year.

TS&GRA Feed Committeemen are First Vice-President T. A. Kincaid and Raymond Hicks.

WAREHOUSE VISITS

Association officers visited warehouses and talked to growers over a wide area of the state during the last two days of January and in February. Points visited were Del Rio, Sanderson, Alpine, Marfa, Fort Stockton, Rankin, Midland, San Angelo, Lometa, and Goldthwaite. Earlier visits were to Menard, Goldthwaite, San Saba, Fredericksburg, Bandera, Kerrville, Ingram, and Junction.

These visits are valuable to the Association officers in that the thinking of members in those areas on various questions can be obtained.

DELINQUENT MEMBERS

Notices will soon be mailed to the Association members whose 1955 dues were not received.

In some cases a member whose 1955 dues were paid will get a notice. To him we apologize in advance as we try hard to eliminate mistakes. In spite of all care some mistakes are still made.

In many cases a person's dues were unpaid because the warehouse failed to make the deduction, and some are out of business.

The continued force of the Association can be felt only if we maintain a strong and active membership. Each of you make up that force and your continued membership is necessary.

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Some Winners at San Antonio

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TOP ANGORA GOAT

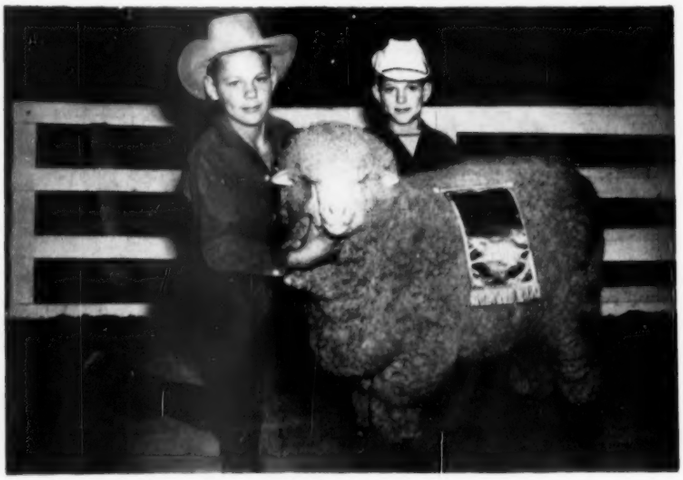
Champion Angora Type B Buck of the 1956 San Antonio Livestock Exposition, owned and exhibited by James Sweeten, of Rocksprings, Texas.

CHAMPION CORRIEDALE

Champion Corriedale ewe of the 1956 San Antonio Livestock Exposition, bred by Schreiner Institute, Kerrville, Texas, is pictured here with Dean Hopf, Kerrville. He had both Champions.

COLUMBIA CHAMP

Champion Columbia ram of the Open Class, 1956 San Antonio Livestock Exposition, bred by the 711 Ranches, Boerne, Texas, and shown here with Louis Nagy, ranch manager.



THE TWINS AND THE CHAMPION DELAINE

The champion Delaine ram in the Junior Show at San Antonio was that of A. C. Lindeman of Blanco, Texas. His twin sons, 12 years old, Harvie and Carroll, are holding the ram and they have some nice registered Delaines of their own; in fact their ram lamb, a half brother to this champion, placed third at San Antonio and second at Houston. The Lindeman's ewe was also champion at Houston. The Lindemans started breeding polled Delaine sheep in 1941 and now they get nearly 90 per cent polled rams in the breeding program. Mr. Lindeman believes that polled rams are becoming more and more popular and he is enthusiastic about prospects for their future.

HATS OFF DEPARTMENT

IN THIS department for this month is Horace K. Fawcett, past president of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association, upon his recent selection as the outstanding Soil Conservationist among the ranch people of the Devil's River Soil Conservation District. Mr. Fawcett was selected not only for the good conservation job he has one on his ranch but for the unselfish and effective service that he has rendered to the district, the state and the nation for the past year.

Mr. Fawcett was one of the original five men to serve on the state's conservation board and he did so for 13 years, helping in soil conservation work throughout the state. In addition he has worked to do more than his part in game and wildlife conservation on his ranch and in his district.

So, hats off to Horace K. Fawcett!

JUNIOR RAMBOUILLET CHAMPIONS AT SAN ANTONIO

Holding the ram, champion of the San Antonio show in the junior class, is Joe Everett of Ozona. Holding the trophy from the Metalcraft Company of Fort Worth is his brother, R. J. Everett. The brothers have a nice flock of registered Rambouillet sheep. The ram shown and most of their flock comes from Pat Rose, Jr., breeding. The champion ewe is being held by Jan VanderStucken, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph VanderStucken. The ewe was bred by Connie Locklin.

LATE NEWS . . .

FREIGHT RATE HEARING POSTPONED

"AS A result of my petition to the Railroad Commission of Texas it has postponed the hearing on the 7% increase on rates (on livestock) until March 28, 1956," according to Chas. A. Stewart, Secretary Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers' Association. He states that: "If the increases are granted on interstate traffic, if past history is any criterion the Railroad Commission of Texas will allow the same increases in Texas."

Mr. Stewart emphasizes that the associations, the sheep, goat and cattle raisers, do not want to take a chance on the rates being increased in Texas and no similar increases take place in the interstate rates.

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1954 fall clip brought seven cents above the line of fall wool.

1955 spring clip brought top price of Texas eight months wool.

1955 fall clip sold for forty-nine cens net to him.

We think this is at least six cents higher than any **1955 fall wool** sold in state of Texas.

Pierce sheep shear lots of wool, for we are using his rams and know they shear lots of pounds of Light Shrinkage staple wool, the kind the wool buyers purchase first and pay the most money for. The staple of Pierce fall clip is equal in length to average eight months. The spring clip is as long as lots of twelve months wool.

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(s) C. T. Holekamp
(s) Ted Holekamp

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EDITORIAL

THINGS ARE NOT ALWAYS WHAT THEY SEEM

"IN SPITE of all the laws that are passed, laws will not save the ranchman from gypping himself," recently declared a ranchman, and in analyzing this statement we have come to the conclusion that he is correct. The average ranchman pays too little attention to feed stuff and livestock medicines that he buys and too little reasoning in his purchases and no law will furnish this to him.

For instance, hundreds of ranchmen are still buying the sulphur-salt block, when almost anyone will tell him that the sulphur content in the salt block has little if any value. His dimes wasted in this manner add up to a considerable amount through the years.

Again, too many ranchmen accept without great thought or inquiry at all, statements on feed tags about protein. There is a great difference between "protein" and "digestibable protein." Research scientists have proved time and time again that a feed that assays ten or twenty per cent protein may have less than five per cent or even as little as one per cent digestible protein and it is the latter which really counts. The percentage of total digestible nutriments can be a much better basis on which to judge feed value than price per ton, according to feed scientists. This is the important item for the ranchman to consider when he buys his feed.

Ranchmen are too prone to accept at face value statements relative to the worth of many of the livestock medicines.

"Without doubt, it is in this field that the livestock industry has been hoodwinked in more ways, more times and out more dollars than almost any other thing in modern times, with the possible exception of feed," recently declared an outstanding ranch leader. There are several examples of this requiring ranchmen's consideration. One of top importance is that of phenothiazine and salt mixtures, and there are many on the market. Anything less than approximately ten per cent Phenothiazine in the mixture does not get the job done in controlling and climiating internal parasites in sheep and goats. It therefore is rather simple on the part of the ranchman to buy a mixture of anything less than the minimum amount. These facts are those of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Sub-Station 14 at Sonora, and the results of numerous other experiments by agricultural and livestock scientists throughout the nation and the manufacturers of Phenothiazine themselves.

It is hard enough in these days of high cost for those things the ranchman must buy and comparatively low prices for those things that he must sell without the ranchman wasting money by buying worthless or almost worthless ranch supplies for his livestock.

CLINT SHIRLEY

THE SHEEP industry has lost a great friend. On February 9, in Fort Worth, Clint Shirley, one of the most widely known men of the ranch industry, a leading livestock commission man and friend of the livestock industry, passed on.

"He may not always be right and he may not always do a perfect job but he will always be in there working for you," was the comment many times heard about Clint Shirley. His activity and his work in behalf of others was prodigious. He couldn't get too many working hours into the day and his restless activity was always marked with a keen interest in his fellow man and in his desire for closer contact with them.

In the sheep industry he had many friends, most of them gained through asscoiation while he was trying to do some unsolicited service to the industry as a whole. Many of his ideas if adopted, and some of them have already been, will have marked beneficial influence on the sheep industry.

As a friend he went all the way. He was not a half-time friend or a friend when the going was good. It is impossible to estimate how many people he aided when they really needed help. Probably his greatest reward was an awareness of the admiration, respect and genuine love that these and other people had for him.

In his handwritten messages to the livestock industry he would often write "When we have a job to do we try to do it right." His whole business life was full of furious activity in following this precept.

Clint Shirley did a good job and the livestock industry loses greatly at his passing, realizing as it mourns, that it has lost a great friend.

IT IS DOING SOME GOOD

APPARENTLY some of the sheep and goat people have been taking to heart the messages that have been appearing in this magazine urging the growers to demand that wool and mohair be used in the articles that they have to buy, such as in the upholstery in their automobiles. We have word from Boston that interests in Detroit are beginning to pay more attention to the wool growers and their plea that the automobile manufacturers use wool and mohair in upholstery. The word is that the manufacturers are hearing from the country.

It is just a start. Keep after your local automobile dealer and urge him to write the manufacturers to put this good fiber in their automobiles. Something big is coming up in the near futuer about this. Not only will the growers be interested but they will be on hand to take care of their interests insofar as possible.

Remember, now, don't forget to ask that automobile dealer for wool and mohair upholstery.

NEW PRODUCTS

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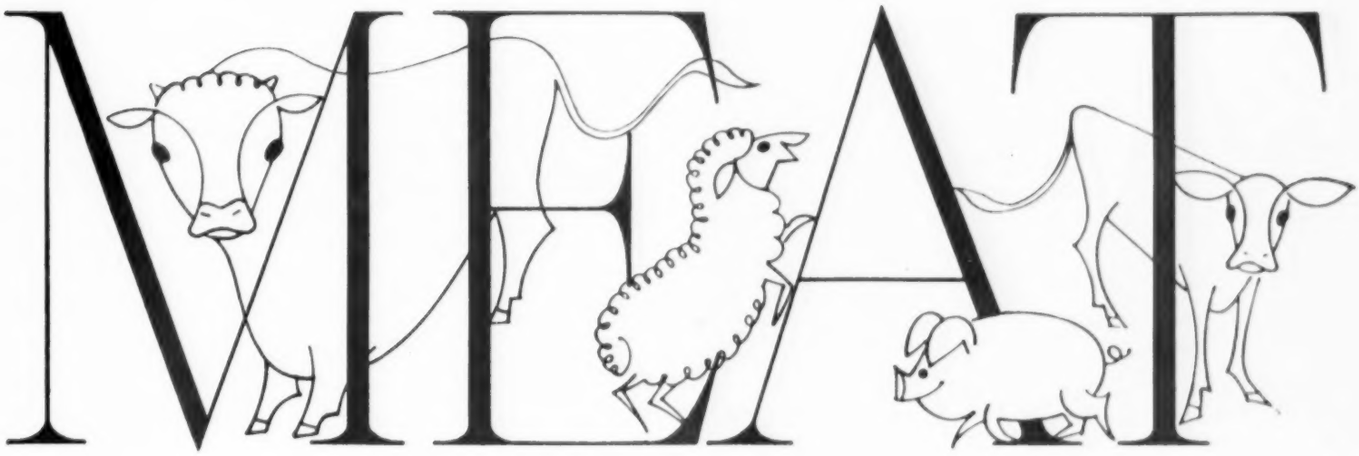

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It's easy to see why: More than one-fourth of married women have jobs outside the home; millions more are busier than ever with club work and similar activities; all want more free time away from the kitchen. So most homemakers want someone else to handle such tasks as squeezing oranges, mixing cakes and pre-cooking sausages.

Progressive food processors work constantly to give Mrs. Homemaker exactly what she wants. The result is keen competition between *all food products* . . . each seeking a bigger share of the consumer's food budget. If meat—your product and ours—is to hold its own, meat packers must always be on the alert to develop new products . . . to provide a broader outlet for your livestock.

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PIERCE SHOWS CHAMPIONS AT SAN ANTONIO

Miles Pierce, Alpine, continued his sweep of major livestock shows, winning both classes in the Rambouillet breeding sheep show at San Antonio, where the pictures shown here were taken. His other winnings this year have included both championships at Odessa, El Paso and Fort Worth. Miles is shown holding his champion ram and champion ewe. In the background in the ram picture is his father, V. I. Pierce of Ozona, co-breeder of the flock. The ram holding his head so high and proud is Colonel King III Altuda, a yearling which weighs 250 pounds at 14 months. The ewe is Miss King Altuda IV which weighs 175 pounds at 14 months.

FINE WOOL SHEEP SHOW RESULTS AT SAN ANTONIO EXPOSITION

ADULT DELAINE

Ram lambs—1. G. A. Glimp, Burnet; 2. David Watters, Goldthwaite; 3. A. C. Lindeman, Blanco; 4. Watters, 5. Reinhold Sagebiel, Fredericksburg; 6. Glimp; 7. Sagebiel; 8. Donald Bradford, Menard.

Two-tooth rams—1. Lindeman; 5. and 6. Watters; 7. Glimp.

Four to six-tooth rams—1. Lindeman; 2. Glimp; 3. Bradford; 4. Sagebiel.

Champion ram—Lindeman, reserve, Glimp.

Ewe lambs—1. Glimp; 2. Bradford; 3. Watters; 4. Glimp; 5. Watters; 6. Bradford.

Four to six-tooth ewes—1 and 2. Glimp; 3 and 4. Bradford; 5. Watters; 6. Sagebiel.

Champion ewe, Glimp; reserve, Bradford.

Exhibitor's flock—1. Bradford; 2. Glimp; 3. Watters.

Pen of lambs—1. Glimp; 2. Watters; 3. Bradford.

Get of sire—1. Bradford; 2. Watters; 3. Glimp.

JUNIOR DELAINE

Ram lambs—1. Hudson Glimp, Burnet; 2. Thornton Secor, Ingram; 3. Chester Berry, Goldthwaite; 4. Glimp; 5 and 6. Pentiss Keese, Bandera; 8. Chester Berry.

Two-tooth rams—1. Ola Mae Itz; 2. Berry; 3. Glimp; 4 and 5. Anna Rose Glasscock, Sonora; 6 and 7. Secor.

Champion ram—Ola Mae Itz, reserve, Glimp.

Ewe lambs—1. Glimp; 2 and 3. Chester Berry; 4. Head; 5. Glimp; 6. Johnny Swenson, Pflugerville; 7. Secor; 8 and 9. Peggy Patford, Mullin; 10. Wesley Lee, Mullin; 11. Leroy and Earl Keese, Bandera; 12. Annette Duncan, Mullin.

Two-tooth ewes—1. Ola Mae Itz; 2. Hudson Glimp; 2. Ola Mae Itz; 4. Anna Rose Glasscock; 5. Secor; 8. Head; 9. Theron Bean, Mullin; 10. Eugene Duren, Mullin.

Champion ewe—Ola Mae Itz, reserve, Glimp.

Get of sire—1. Anna Rose Glasscock; 2. Secor; 3. Glimp; 4. Berry.

Judge of Delaine Show, George Johanson, Brady.

ADULT RAMBOUILLET

Ram lambs—1 and 2. Miles Pierce; 3 and 4. Pinky Carruthers, Sanderson.

Two-tooth rams—1. Pierce; 2. Eddie Smith, Sonora; 3. Carruthers; 4. Eddie Smith; 5. Carruthers; 6. Pierce.

Four to six-tooth rams—1. Carruthers; 2. Connie Mack Locklin, Sonora; 3. Pierce.

Champion and reserve champion rams — Pierce.

Ewe lambs—1 and 2. Pierce; 3 and 4. Carruthers; 5. Robert Weiss, Pflugerville; 6. Locklin; 7. H. L. Weiss, Pflugerville; 8. Eddie Smith.

Two-tooth ewes—1. Pierce; 2. Carruthers; 3. Smith; 4. Pierce; 5. Carruthers; 6. Smith; 7. H. L. Weiss; 8. Locklin; 9. H. L. Weiss; 10. Locklin.

Four to six-tooth ewes—1. Pierce; 2. Locklin; 3 and 4. Carruthers.

Champion and reserve champion ewes — Pierce.

Exhibitor's flock—1. Pierce; 2. Carruthers.

Pen of lambs—1. Pierce; 2. Carruthers.

Get of sire—1. Pierce; 2. Carruthers; 3. Locklin.

JUNIOR RAMBOUILLET

Ram lambs—1. Bill Cauthorn, Del Rio; 2. Jimmy Cauthorn, Del Rio; 3. Jimmie Stubblefield, Ballinger; 4. Janice Taliaferro, Eden; 5. Boyd Bros., Rankin; 6. Lamar Itz, Harper; 7. Sam Jones, Ozona; 8. George Bayers, Brackettville; 9. Wayne Sharp, Knickerbocker; 10 and 11. Rodney Davis, Sonora; 12. Sharp.

Two-tooth rams—1. Joe Everett, Ozona; 2. Bill Cauthorn; 3. Jay Miller, Ozona; 4. Jan VanderStucken, Sonora; 5. Pierce Miller, Ozona; 6. Benton Wardlaw, Del Rio; 7. Hadley Wardlaw, Del Rio; 8. R. J. Everett, Ozona; 9. Carlos Loeffler, Sonora; 11. Daon Locklin, Sonora; 12. Jim Cauthorn.

Ewe lambs—1. Jimmie Stubblefield; 2. Lamar Itz; 3. B. B. Ingham, Ozona; 4 and 5. am Jones, Ozona; 6. Benton Wardlaw; 7. Bill Cauthorn; 8. Jerry Monroe, Sanderson; 9. Daon Locklin; 10. Lamar Itz; 11. Stubblefield; 12. Boyd Bros.

Two-tooth ewes—1. Jan VanderStucken; 2. Pierce Miller; 3. Jay Miller; 4 and 5. Janice Taliaferro; 6. Jan VanderStucken; 7. Daon Locklin; 8. P. L. Childress, Ozona; 9. Benton Wardlaw, Del Rio; 10. Stubblefield; 11. Joe Bill Welch, Goldthwaite; 12. William Bradley Jr., Santa Anna.

Champion ewe—Jan VanderStucken, reserve immie Stubblefield.

Get of sire—1. Stubblefield; 2. Boyd Bros.; 3. Wayne Sharp.

Judge of Rambouillet Show, Porky Bridges, Bronte.

LAMB SHOW

The champion fine wool lamb was shown by Wess Wise with the lamb he won with in the Coleman County Show. Reserve champion was shown by Glenn Bragg of Talpa. The Wise lamb, a Delaine, was bred by R. R. Walston of Menard and the Bragg lamb by Owen Bragg, Talpa.

Fine-wool lambs—1. Wess Wise, Rockwood; 2. Glenn Bragg, Talpa; 3. Quinton Lyles, Rankin; 4. John Kercheville, Del Rio; 5. Scott Menzies, Menard; 6. Bill McIntyre, Eden; 7. James Nicks, Marfa; 8. Wess Wise; 9. Bill McIntyre; 10. Lanier Price, Eden.

Crossbred lambs—1. Eddie Carter, Eden; 2. Kyle Wright, Kerrville; 3. Peter Latham, Del Rio; 4. John Kercheville, Del Rio; 5. Richard Williams, Fort Davis; 6. Maurice Holle, Winters; 7. Ernest Mayfield, Medina; 8. Carl Rapp, Eden; 9. Royce Baker, Bandera; 10. Lanier Price.

Southdowns—1. Aubrey Hillman, Mullin; 2. Wess Wise; 3. Curtis Cameron, Fredericksburg; 4. John Boyd, Rankin; 5. Roy Gregg, Hale County; 6. Wise; 7. James McDonald, Rankin; 8. Roy Gregg; 9. Bobby Penny, Winters; 10. Boyd.

Groups of 15 fine-wool — 1. Winters FFA; 2. Concho 4-H; 3. Crockett 4-H; 4. Big Lake FFA.

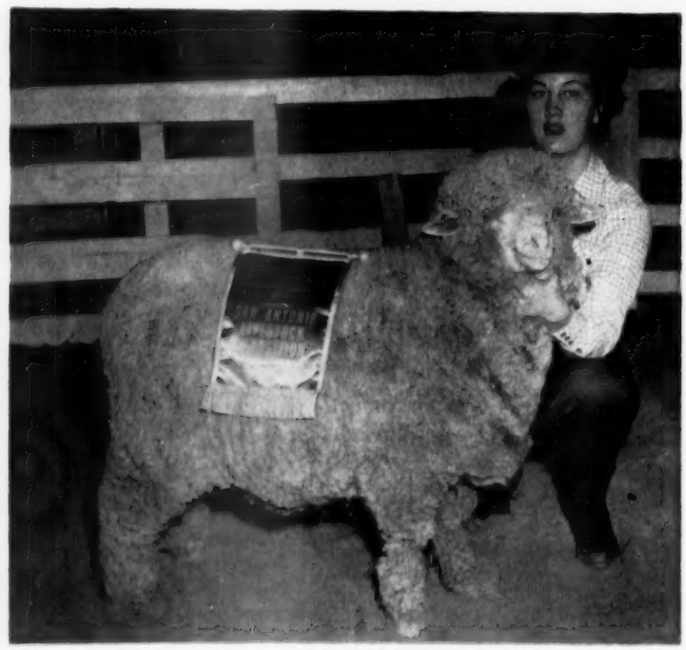
Group of 15 crossbred—1. Sutton 4-H; 2. Val Verde 4-H; 3. Reagan 4-H; 4. Crockett 4-H.

Group of 15 Southdown—1. Upton 4-H; 2. Big Lake FFA; 3. Crockett 4-H.

Open-class fine-wool—1. Aime Frank Real, Kerrville; 2. Pudgy Munn, Van Horn; 3. Rickie Erwin, Paint Rock; 4. Janice Taliaferro, Eden; 5. Ovey Taliaferro, Eden.

Open crossbreds—1. Dewaine Kerchenover, Kingfisher, Okla.

Open Southdowns—1. Bob Hillery, Waurika, Okla.; 2. Derrel Griffith, Anadarko, Okla.



CHAMPION DELAINE EWE AT SAN ANTONIO

Lela Joe Glimp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Glimp of Burnet, is shown holding the champion Delaine ewe of the San Antonio show. Exhibited in the men's open show, the ewe is owned by her father.

RESERVE CHAMPION RAM OF PINKIE CARRUTHERS

J. W. Carruthers and sons of Sanderson and Carta Valley have been showing some mighty fine sheep at major livestock shows recently. Here is young Pinkie Carruthers with the reserve champion ram of the Odessa, Fort Worth and San Antonio shows and is the first place aged ram in the 4-6 tooth class – and in his age group has been undefeated this year. The good ram is named Lord Calvert.

CLEAN SWEEP BY ITZ

In the Junior Delaine Show at San Antonio, Ola Mae Itz of Harper again exhibited her talent and her sheep. Both paid off as she had the champion ram and champion ewe. Holding the ewe is her brother Lamar, 14. In the background are Mr. and Mrs. Chester Itz, their parents.

MISS MOHAIR IN PARADE

HONORED in the parade that inaugurated the seventh annual San Antonio Livestock Exposition and Rodeo held Feb. 10-19 was this beautiful float sponsored by the Texas Angora Goat Raisers' Association and featuring Miss Nancy Bryan Hunt, of Sonora, "Miss Mohair of the World." The float was one of the finest in the stock show's largest parade.

EDITORIAL

NANCY GOES OVER BIG

THIS IS a story about Nancy – Yes, Miss Nancy Hunt of Sonora, Miss Mohair of 1956. I ran across it in San Antonio. I ran across it in Uvalde and several times in San Angelo. The story is a short one but it is one of those tales that make a fellow feel better for hearing it, and too often we are neglectful in passing it on so others may hear and enjoy it also.

Simply, "Nancy is doing a wonderful job. She is making a swell Miss Mohair." "She is doing a great job representing the industry," and many more similar expressions of praise and satisfaction.

Now, the ability to make other people happy is one of God's richest gifts, and Nancy seems most abundantly endowed. Her own happiness and her eagerness to help others is quite infectious. She IS a wonderful Miss Mohair.

It is not strange that Nancy is a lovely, happy and able representative for the mohair industry. She should be, for she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Hunt of Sonora.

FIELD DAY AT McGREGOR

THERE WILL be a sheep and goat day April 5 at Sub-Station 23 of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station. This field day will give the visitor an opportunity to see the animals represented by the several breeding experiments in progress. Rambouillet sheep, Angora goats, four new strains of breeding sheep and one new line of goats will be in separate pens for inspection. Sheep used in the formation of three inbred lines may be seen.

Wool and mohair produced on experiment, together with summarized data will be available for study. This will include kid grade mohair grown on adult goats, and French combing wool grown in six months. No formal program will be scheduled. Animals and fleeces will be available for inspection from 9 to 11 A.M. followed by one hour for discussions including questions and answers.

MAGAZINE GETTING UP IN THE WORLD

WE HAVE a delightful letter from our friend, Ed Wentworth, who is taking it easy in Chesterton, Indiana, now, after many years of active public contact work for Armour and Company. Ed, who is doing very well, writes in part:

"By the way, did I ever tell you that, out of one of your issues last summer, I cut out your page 'Fine Wool and Clippings' and sent it to Bishop Fulton J. Sheen in New York, telling him there were some things in that particular issue which he might be able to use in his addresses over the television? I got no reply, but one night about two weeks ago he told one of the stories in a modified form, but the same setting and the same joke. The only difference was that he told it on a child, but he handled it very well. I will let you know if anything more comes of it."

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THE SOIL bank as broadly outlined by Mssrs. Eisenhower and Benson now is almost certainly headed for approval. It has had the important okay of the Senate Ag. Committee and now the only serious question is, will it be finally passed in time to be placed in effective operation this year?

Washington consensus on that is, Yes.

As the soil bank progresses toward final approval on Capitol Hill, officials at USDA have been working up methods of putting the plan to work. It is now no secret that the plan as first laid out by the Administration left many questions unanswered, and important operational methods to be worked out.

Many of these matters remain to be cleared up, but much is now plain that was fuzzy a few short weeks ago. Here are tentative decisions that have been reached by top officials at the department in regard to the soil bank.

Under the Acreage Reserve part of the "bank," farmers figure to get from 50% to 70% of the support rate for "normal" production on allotment acres that are not planted. This is the payment that would be issued in the form of a certificate which could be cashed or exchanged for CCC stocks of the commodity concerned. Growers of wheat, cotton, and perhaps corn and rice were proposed for such payments by the Administration. The Senate Ag. Committee, in its bill, included growers of all four—and added producers of certain types of tobacco.

How much allotment wheat, for instance, could a grower put into the Acreage Reserve? Department thinking is to allow under-planting of up to 30 acres or 50% of the allotment, whichever is larger.

Where both landlords and tenants are concerned, the department recommends division of payments in the same proportion as usual, "unless division on another basis is agreed upon by the parties concerned" and the ASC county committees.

Under the second part of the soil bank — the longer-term Conservation Reserve — payments would be of two kinds. Plan is to offer farmers (1) 80% of the cost of converting specified cropland to grass, water conservation, or trees; and (2) an annual rental payment on the land that would depend upon its value as appraised, its normal yield, etc.

It is tentatively figured that average rental payments over the country would average out at about $10 per acre per year. Land eligible for the Conservation Reserve probably would be any that has been in cropland in one of the past three years.

A good guide to what will happen on the farm program is statements from chairman of the Agriculture Committees of Congress. Chairman Allen Ellender (D., La.) of the Senate committee recently outlined some steps taken by his group that may win okay of the full Congress.

He made it clear, for one thing, that he thinks Congress will follow his committee's action in restoring 90% price supports for millable wheat, cotton, corn, and peanuts. He had previously favored working out a support system that "flexed" above and below 90%, depending on crop quality.

That, he says now, would be "almost impossible" due to difficulties of measuring quality from the point of view of consumer demand.

If the full Congress restores 90% supports, what about Ike? There have been recent reports that he would NOT veto such a bill, but these should be taken with a grain of salt. It would take a lot of backtracking by the Administration to change its stand on supports.

Ellender indicates that Congress won't go along with the idea of putting a limit on price support payments to individual farmers. He says, "the result of an attempt to limit price supports would mean that the small farmer would be producing for the government."

Price supports on feed grains for this year are now set. Parity level for oats, barley, rye, and grain sorghums will be the same as for the '55 crops, or parity, USDA has announced.

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Analyzing Livestock And Meat Situation

By SHEEP AND GOAT RAISER CHICAGO BUREAU

BETWEEN mid-January and mid-February livestock producers had to be satisfied with the various classes of livestock putting on the mixed performance. The best one was done by lambs, which continued to find a fairly broad mid-winter demand and send home a fair profit to the finisher for his time and effort. Hog raisers, meanwhile, are doing little better than breaking even by selling at recent prices even though they were up substantially from the winter's low spot. Another "bum show" was put on by the cattle market where the combination of heavy January and February selling and falling prices in the wholesale channels "lowered the boom" on cattle feeders and they continued to lose another hatful of money with virtually every load of steers they marketed.

Steadily gaining prices in the lamb market during the latter half of January enabled this class to post a four-month peak of $21.50 at the close of the month. During the first couple of weeks of February prime wool lambs were stopping at the $21 figure after a slight reaction hit the market as a result of housewives' backing away from the higher lamb prices in the butcher shops.

Even though the lamb market lost a little bit of its recent upturns, the finisher of this class is finding a fair margin of profit for his venture as the bulk of the wool lambs grading choice and prime sold at $20 and above. Meanwhile, most shorn lambs sold down from the $20 mark. The limited number of aged females in the recipts sold largely from $5 to $7.50, with a few reaching $8.

The seriousness of the present plight of the average cattle feeder has grown more acute with each passing day. There is practically nothing in the steer line that is not losing up toward $100 per head. This is true even in the case of most of the new-crop offerings which were put in the feedlots early last fall and were marketed recently carrying upwards of 120 days of drylot feeding. Purchased up around $19 last fall, they were forced to sell down near the $16 figure.

Finishers who had old-crop cattle to market recently also found some rather severe losses because of the high-priced feed bill to be paid for out of the returns. A good share of the long-fed cattle which continued to move to the killers did their share in eating up a corn crop without being able to pay for the cost of the feed.

The cattle market, which had to struggle through practically all of 1955 under the bearish influence of a record-breaking beef production, found the same situation prevailing during the first portion of 1956. Preliminary data for the initial month of 1956 indicate a new January record by a wide margin in cattle slaughter in federally inspected plants throughout the country. It was estimated that the January cattle slaughter would be in the neighborhood of 1,700,000 head, compared with the previous

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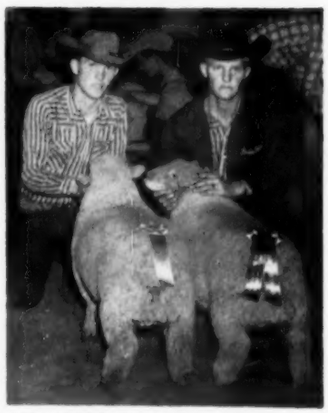

CHAMPION LAMBS AT RUNNELS COUNTY SHOW

Louis Heinze, Miles FFA, is shown on the right with his champion Southdown lamb at the Runnels County show. His lamb on the left, held by Herman Kiesling was second place and Louis' lambs did well in other shows this year, too.

January record of 1,521,087 head which was established a year ago.

It was this huge beef production, coupled with ample amounts of other red meats, which is causing the current losses in cattle feeding. Cattle feeders did not help matters by glutting the Chicago market with 28,000 cattle on one recent session, which broke a 37-year-old February record. It is generally believed that as long as cattle selling and beef production continue at this rate, there is little chance for any sustained and substantial recovery in prices.

Hog raisers during this period discovered that the hog market could stand only a certain amount of "prosperity" in the form of substantial price gains before the consumer began reacting to the higher pork costs, thereby causing a reaction in the markets. Reduced winter marketings of "the mortgage lifters" resulted in 10 days of sharply higher prices which pushed top butchers at Chicago to $15.25, which in turn caused pork loins to move to $43 before the housewife began reacting. Even though the hog market backed off moderately from this high point, the hog producer found the market in a much better position around mid-February than it was at the winter's low a couple of months earlier.

During the first couple of weeks in February the average hog marketed at Chicago was bringing about $5 per head more than his counterpart did a month earlier. Even with this extra $5 per head for each hog in recent returns, hog raisers are finding that they are doing little, if any, more than break even with the best hogs hovering slightly under the $14 mark.

Getting back to that portion of the livestock industry that did more than its share to put farming and feeding in its present predicament – cattle feeding and the paradox which developed in recent weeks. While being subjected to the lowest prices since the OPA days during World War II and rather big operating losses, cattle feeders provided killers with probably the best quality in history for this time of the year.

The backlog of long-fed kinds was large enough to keep the quality unseasonably high at Chicago during the first few months of the year. Prime grades, while they dropped off from the unusually high numbers of late 1955, continued to make up slightly more than 20 per cent of arrivals, which was almost double the amount usually found in the offerings at this time of the year. Meanwhile, steers carrying enough finish to provide choice beef made up slightly more

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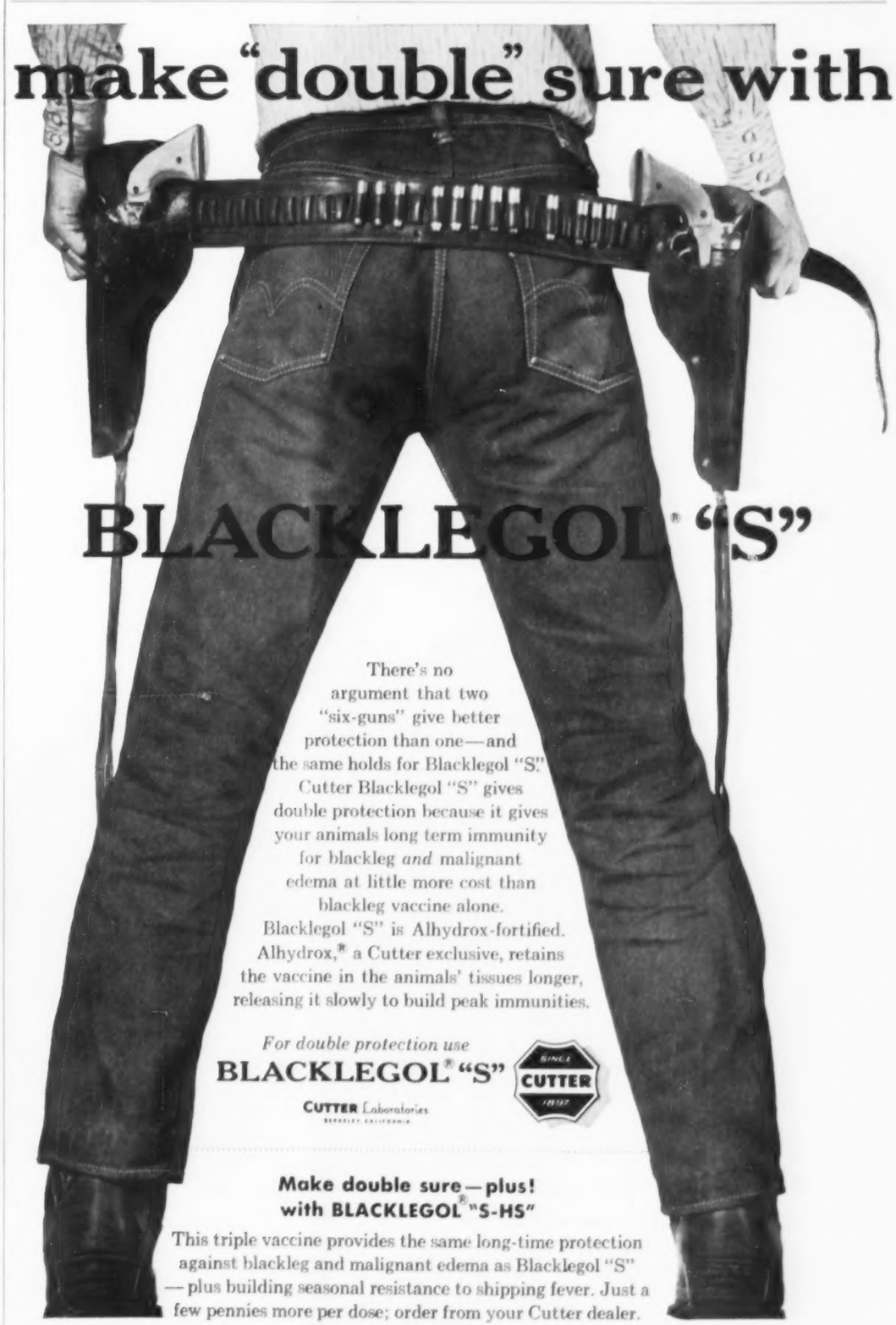

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TAME PASTURES NEED PROPER CARE

A LIVESTOCK grower with plenty of grass during drouth and ample hay, silage and other roughage for winter has a feeling of security that operators without plenty of cheap animal feed do not have.

A grower with plenty of forage can continue a fairly normal operation in spite of drouth and hard winters while less fortunate stockmen are forced to sell part or most of their herd on a glutted market. Those hardest hit usually have large livestock inventories compared to forage supplies.

Commercial producers of beef cattle and sheep have learned that those with blue chips in the livestock business are the ones with plenty of grass and cheap roughage all the time. Success depends upon having generous amounts of perennial types of range and pasture to provide forage for animals during spring, summer and fall. They've found out you cannot depend on summer pasture on the same fields where a winter pasture had been grown. It is safer to provide more silage and hay to care for winter rations for herds. They can use supplemental winter pasture for calving and lambing and wintering wet stock when it is available, but will not depend upon it for breeding herds. Ample grazing acreage of pasture is required for breeding animals to produce good quality market lambs and calves. When animals use range and pastures so closely that no forage is left for reserves, it is proof that more animals are being grazed than land will provide for.

Temporary and rotation pasture can be economically used with dairying, a more intensive enterprise that will come nearer paying for the greater costs that temporary pastures entail. Also, in case of pasture failures, dairy cattle will more nearly pay for roughage and concentrates needed as substitutes when the temporary pastures do not grow. The producing dairy cow often will pay for grain and other concentrates. She will pay for hay and silage fed during summer when pasture is either dry or short.

Beef cattle and sheep have to make their way without roughage and concentrates on pasture except in winter when they can be fed for maintenance.

Paul F. Newell of Tennessee says: "A cattleman's heaven would picture a country of moderate temperatures and uniform rainfall throughout the year, a land where lush grass is available on an even basis, of high carrying capacity, during all seasons."

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Mowing to control weeds that sap moisture needed by good forage plants

TOP GOATS AT UVALDE

Uvalde is one of the few county shows in which Angora goats have a place. Here are shown the champion goats of the recent show in Uvalde. On the left is James Sweeten, son of Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Sweeten, with his champion buck. On the right is Harwell Davis, Sabinal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Authur Davis, with his champion doe.

is desirable but to do so during hot weather may remove the forage needed to carry the animals during drouth and keep the operation alive.

Stockmen want thrifty, good-doing animals. A good way to play safe on feed is to stock pasture with the number of animals it will provide for when forage is lowest.

Rotation to provide animals with pasture that is green at different times of the year keeps gains coming with profit. Too often the incentive to rotate results from heavy use of pastures and short grass supplies. Such a system gives little advantage to the pasture rested and animals never make economical gains where the forage is short.

The man with more feed than he needs has no problem with close grazing. Animals do not gain economically if they are forced to graze too closely. Also, when plants are nipped too near the crown, stomach worms may infest the herd. They do their greatest damage in summer and fall when herds are forced to feed on closely grazed pastures.

Percy Roberts recently purchased 6,000 Angora mutton goats at $6 for the big muttons, about 3,000, and $7.25 for the yearling muttons. These will be shorn immediately and Roberts will receive them about April 15. The seller was Wyatt C. Hedrick of Fort Worth and came off the Anachacho ranch near Spofford. The goats have wintered well and are in good flesh.

Lowry Hagerman, Santa Fe, New Mexico, is one of the veteran ranchmen of this area and his property is close to Clines' Corner. He reported at the National Wool Growers' Convention in Fort Worth recently that that area is in better shape than it has been in a long time but that the dry spell still hangs on. Recent snows in New Mexico should have benefitted this country.

Livestock

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than 50 per cent of the volume, which is about average for the early months of the year.

Naturally, killers were only too happy to see the quality remain higher than usual, but they did little or nothing to show their appreciation. Although they moved the top price up to $25.25 recently, the highest price since early December, they were able to purchase the bulk of the prime grades at the lowest point for this time of the year in 10 years.

Most of the long-feds grading prime and weighing down from 1,350 lbs. sold from $21 to $24.50. A wide range of prices still exists in the prime grades as well as the other grades as a result of the weight differential and because of this prime steers of elephantine proportions had to sell down as low as $17.50, the same price which killers paid for yearling-type half-fat steers grading U. S. good. Fortunately, there were only a few loads of price steers weighing in the 1,600-lb. bracket recently, but this was little consolation to the owners who used up a corn crop without being reimbursed.

Not only were steers losing money for their owners, but heifers finally got into the act also after being fairly good property for the past several months as one class which did return a little margin in many instances. However, this was not true recently as killers suddenly shied away from heifers of all grades after wholesale prices for choice beef dropped under $32. To make matters worse, heifer volume began to show a slight increase about the same time and within a few days the completion of the heifer market was changed.

Choice heifers which were being scooped up during the latter portion of January within a range of $18 to $21 suddenly found a limited demand from $16.50 to $19.50 as many killers made determined attempts to buy heifers in the choice grade under the $16 figure, but this was not accomplished.

It took strictly prime heifers to sell in the $21 column. In fact, there were not too many heifers carrying the extra quality and finish to get above the $19 mark, as a fair portion of the recent marketings was made up of new-crop kinds which had been fed for three or four months.

Another factor which puzzles many an observer is the continued broad demand for replacement cattle during this period of slumping fat cattle prices. Naturally, the heavier-weight feeding steers lost ground as fat cattle prices were cut, but there was little or no change in values of calves and stocker yearlings which continued to find a fairly dependable outlet.

In fact, there were reports early in February to the effect that there were numerous inquiries made for spring deliveries of such kinds. However, few contracts were reported made because of the limited offerings.

The broad country demand for replacement cattle while the fat cattle market lost ground again made for further narrowing of the spread between the average price of fat cattle at Chicago during January and the average cost of stockers and feeders at the 10 major market centers. Only $3.37 separated the $20.01 average cost of steers at Chicago and the $16.64 average price of replacement cattle at the big centers. This was the smallest spread since last spring and the narrowest for January in five years.

"Well, thank goodness they're giving up on this bill – it's their final notice."

SWEETHEARTS OF UVALDE COUNTY

Here is a covey of FFA Sweethearts of Uvalde County taken at the Uvalde show, January 28, qualifying the statement, of course, by pointing out that the gentleman in the center is not a sweetheart but is Word Sherrill, ranchman, who was superintendent of the show. From left to right are shown Janice Smith, daughter of the Vernon Smiths, Sabinal; Bettye Lou Davenport, Uvalde, daughter of the Louie Davenports; Sue Ann Stokes, daughter of the Buzzy Stokes, Uvalde; Karolyn Reagan, Knippa, daughter of the Cecil Reagans, and Patsy Clayton, Utopia, daughter of the Ward Claytons.

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New Registered Delaine Association Organized

IN A mid-January meeting final plans were laid for a spring sale of the Southwestern Registered Delaine Sheep Breeders Association. This is a new organization started late last year in Hamilton County for the purpose of making possible the sale of Delaines by auction in that Central Texas area. Other purposes of the organization are to promote, increase and sponsor better sheep production, better marketing of products of the sheep industry and to cooperate with other organizations.

The president of the new organization is Paul Gromatzky of Hamilton, Texas. The secretary is Lynn Kirby of Evant.

The date of the first annual sale of this organization has been set for April 25 at Hamilton. It will be a P. O. sale. Walter Britten, auctioneer, will charge 2½% commission. The entry fee will be $3 and only members of the Southwestern Registered Delaine Sheep Breeders Association will be eligible for participation. These members must limit their offerings to not over five rams and three ewes. Rams may range in age up to four-tooth and ewes up to two-tooth. Any Delaine breeders in the southwest may participate in the sale providing they are members of the organization.

The annual membership dues, according to the Constitution and By-Laws adopted August 2, 1955, are $1.00 per year. Dues are payable to the Association at the beginning of each fiscal year, which shall be March 15.

The head office of the association is limited to location in Hamilton County, Texas.

The organization in its mid-January meeting also voted to take the Sheep and Goat Raiser as its official organ and is planning to use the magazine for all its publicity releases and to take advantage of its facilities to otherwise promote the sheep industry of the southwest, especially in the Central Texas area, where the association operations will be largely confined. This makes the third sheep organization within recent months to notify the Sheep and Goat Raiser office of its designation as the official organ.

In addition to the sales activity and planning which is going on at the present time, Mr. Gromatzky pointed out that on April 10-11 in Hamilton there will be a county-wide sheep demonstration and program for the purpose of giving the growers first hand demonstration of the latest and most popular methods of preparing wool. Not only is a large crowd expected from Hamilton County, but Mills, Lampasas and other counties in the area.

James Gray, Extension Sheep Specialist, will be in charge of this program.

GETTING AROUND!

"AMONG THE dozens of letters I received on my article in your fine magazine here is one from a Navy man in Japan," writes Judge J. R. Fuchs of New Braunfels, who has been keeping us posted on the rather astonishing amount of fan mail he has been receiving since his article appeared in December.

The letter referred to above came from Daniel Flynn, Staff Commander, Naval Forces, Far East.

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STUBBLEFIELD WINS SILVER SHEARS TROPHY

Jimmy Twain Stubblefield, Ballinger, is shown accepting the beautiful trophy given annually at San Antonio to the leading point winner in the Rambouillet Junior Breeding Sheep Show. The trophy is in memory of the late Leonard Richardson of Iraan, outstanding young ranchman who was so prominent in this type of livestock events. Making the presentation is Dave Locklin of Sonora, father of Connie Mack Locklin, who won the trophy last year. In the background, left to right, are Assistant Show Superintendent Harold Freeman, Farm and Ranch representative of the Humble Oil Company; R. F. "Porky" Bridges of Bronte, Judge of the show; and W. M. "Dub" Day, Jr., Acting Superintendent of the show, from Rankin, Texas.

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Oats, barley, and rye loans will mature on April 30, 1957, and sorghum loans on March 31, 1957.

Corn support in the commercial area also has been set for '56. It will be at 81% of parity and $1.40 per bushel, compared with 98% of parity and $1.58 for 1955 corn. (Remember, however, there is a possibility that corn support will be jacked up to 90% by Congress. At press time restoration of 90% supports for both wheat and corn had been approved both by the full House and the Senate Ag. Committee.)

Government figures on food industry profits are giving "middlemen" a hard time. A recent tabulation released by the Federal Trade Commission says that profits after taxes for "manufacturers of food and kindred products" were $757 million in the first nine months of 1955 compared with $660 million in the same period of 1954.

Food industry sources report that combined net profits of grocery processors and distributors are now at the rate of 3 cents of the consumer's food dollar compared with nearly 6 cents in 1939.

Following criticism of meat packers by Secretary Benson in a Chicago speech, the American Meat Institute said:

"As for spreads or marketing margins, operating expanses in the meat packing industry advanced by $1,973,000,000 in 1949 to $2,650,000,000 in 1954, or 34 per cent from 1949 to 1954. For 1955 figures are not yet available. . . . Services performed by meat packers, in which 'marketing margins' are included, represent in considerable degree values added to the product—indispensable to the use of our raw material, which is livestock.

"As for packers' profits, these are notoriously low – too low in fact to provide adequate funds for plant improvement and modernization, research and promotion. In 1955, such reports as have been issued show that meat packers' earnings averaged less than a cent per dollar of sales – a profit so small that had it not existed at all there would have been no appreciable difference in the price of meat or what the farmer received for his livestock . . ."

In its last report on margins, the Agriculture Department said "available data indicate that profits of food marketing firms were larger in 1955 than in 1954."

Wheat standards won't be changed until at least July 1, 1957. That is made clear by a recent statement from the U. S. Department of Agriculture. "We had hoped for revision this year," comments Vice President Herman Fakler of the Millers National Federation," but the department's decision "gives us more time to prepare a constructive case."

Main changes in the standards that have been recommended for official consideration are reduction in the minimum moisture requirement for tough wheat; special grade for wheat of low moisture content; reduction in the limits of foreign material, shrunken and broken kernels; expression of dockage in terms of one-half per cent instead of whole per cent; more specific sanitation factors.

It is estimated that up to two-thirds of the spring clippings have been contracted at prices which range from 18c to 25c a pound. Several buyers have been interested in the coming season's clipping accumulation, which may amount to about 800,000 pounds.

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BRUSH POISONING?

WE LOSE some lambs every spring when they begin to get fat. Within just a few days, we find ten to fifteen of the biggest ones dead. We have suspected brush poisoning. Is there any way to prevent this trouble?

— A. G., Harper, Texas

The trouble in this instance is probably enterotoxemia (also called clabber belly, milk colic, protein founder, or over-eating disease, etc.). It is caused by a germ which seldom causes trouble in under-fed sheep — it needs a full gut in which to produce disease. We often make a tentative diagnosis from the history of this trouble and perform an autopsy examination, to confirm the diagnosis. Prevention can be accomplished through vaccination. Since the flock in question seems to be troubled at the time brush "puts out," I would vaccinate a week or two earlier.

STERILIZED NEEDLES

AT A recent meeting, the representative of a large meat-packing company deplored the use of unsterilized needles and syringes by ranchmen and also mentioned the advisability of avoiding the areas of high-priced cuts of meat when giving injections. The use of unsterile equipment leads to absesses, and many intramuscular type injections produce discoloration of flesh. He mentioned that his company experiences about 25% cut-outs on lamb carcasses due to these two factors. Needless to say, the loss is reflected in the price paid to the grower or the feeder.

HEAD GRUBS

WHAT IS the best treatment for head grubs in sheep and how can they be prevented?

— R. P., Coleman, Texas

This troublesome parasite lives in the nasal passages and sinuses, and its activities there account in large part for the traditional "snotty" noses of sheep. Strangers to sheep husbandry are often horrified to see a sheep sneeze violently several times and finally dislodge a large fat grub. The movements of the grubs are of course a source of discomfort to the sheep and it would be difficult to guess how much weight loss results. In some instances it has appeared that the grubs were responsible for infected sinuses and even death due to erosion of the cranial covering.

The most effective treatment has involved holding the sheep on its back while spraying saponified cresol solution into the nasal passages under considerable pressure. The fact that this procedure has not found many users suggests that it isn't practicable under ordinary ranch conditions. On the other hand, if there were an effective means of controlling the fly that deposits the grub on the nostril's edge to begin with, the nasal treatment would have considerable more merit, because there would not be the problem of reinfestation. As a matter of fact, if the fly control were highly effective, then there would be no grub problem at all.

During the season when the flies are depositing their larvae or minute grubs, sheep are instinctively frantic. They stop grazing and stand for hours trying to shield their noses from the flies which dart in and deposit their larvae with hardly a pause in flight.

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Veterinary

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BROAD TAPEWORM

FOR THE past several years I have used the special phenothiazine drench with arsenic for my ewes but have bought the regular type without arsenic for the lambs. The best is none too good for the ewes, but I feel justified in economizing on the lambs because I have less invested in them. My neighbor says I'm wrong. How about it? — J. H., Uvalde, Texas

Diplomatically speaking, you're both right, but he's more right than you are. It's true that your greatest investment is in the ewes and that the best is none too good for them. However, you're probably using wrong drench for them. Usually, our southwestern sheep became infested with the broad tapeworm when they are still lambs. After carrying this infection for a month or two, the lambs develop considerable resistance and the worms are eliminated spontaneously, leaving the animal practically immune thereafter. Now the arsenic content of the drench is intended for the broad tapeworm, so if it is to be used effectivey, it must be given to the animals that have the worms, viz., the lambs. There's simply no good reason for giving it to old ewes that have long since shed their broad tapeworms.

BRAIN FEVER

SHEEP AND goat raisers who are also cattlemen may find comfort in a technical article originating from the Ranch Experiment Station at Sonora. To be published in a March issue of the Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association and authored by D. A. Price and W. T. Hardy, the paper reports on the latest research pertaining to sporadic bovine encephalomyelitis, a virus disease of calves. Many ranchmen know this disease as "brain fever", and may recall the excellent descriptive articles carried by this magazine in past years under the authorship of Dr. I. B. Boughton, then at the Sonora Station and more recently Dean Emeritus of the School of Veterinary Medicine.

The new article reviews briefly the symptoms and autopsy findings; reports on the isolation of a Texas strain of the virus and its subsequent adaptation and growth in embryonating chicken embryos; describes the activity of several antibiotics against the virus when tested in eggs; and mentions the successful use of antibiotics in a natural outbreak of the disease. Your licensed graduate veterinarian will be reading the article and will be prepared to make practical use of the information.

PIPERAZINE

ONE OF the newest worm remedies is receiving an ample share of high-powered advertising. Piperazine compounds were first introduced in 1947, when it was discovered that they were effective against roundworms in dogs. In 1951, they were reported to be of value against roundworms of man. Some recent advertising would have the reader believe that this is the drug to replace all the old and proven worm remedies for all classes of livestock. However, the astute veterinarian is cautious about jumping on the band wagon before new remedies are well proven, and for the same reason the wise sheep raiser will stand by his proven procedures until unprejudiced agencies such as experiment stations and colleges endorse the new product. Undoubtedly, piperazine compounds are highly effective against certain roundworms and are among the least toxic of the worm remedies. Time and further research will tell whether piperazine deserves an honored place in the sheep industry. Meanwhile, don't be in a hurry to forsake phenothiazine.

Don Welch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Welch, showed the grand champion fat lamb and first place Southdown ram in the Foard County 4-H Show at Crowell in their mid-February show.

Barbara Ann Borchardt, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Borchardt, Sr. placed first in the breeding ewe division with her Cheviot. She was also high in several other classes.

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Gray Trailer Co. Re-organized And Expansion Planned

THE GRAY Trailer Company, Inc., 105 Allen Street, San Angelo, has been recognized throughout the livestock country as one of the most progressive trailer manufacturing concerns. Its products have been widely known and accepted by livestock men, especially those requiring a fast, convenient, economical unit for the conveyance of horses. Recently the company was re-organized by its 39 stockholders and new officers were elected.

President of the organization is Royal Hart, attorney of San Angelo. Directors are Ted Harris, Water Valley and Big Lake ranchman who lives in San Angelo; Walton Poage, who has made an outstanding name for himself as an expert roper and who ranches near Rankin, Texas; Louis Powers, former ranchman, now salesman for the Salt Supply Company of Carlsbad, New Mexico, and Steve Stevenson, well known Reagan County contractor and roper of Big Lake, Texas.

New manager of the organization, who has been with the company for more than four years, is W. S. "Bill" Holden, formerly an English businessman. He has, with his general business background, a comprehensive grasp of the trailer business and it is under his direction that most of the expansion program will be carried on.

A veteran of the Gray organization is Leo Welch, foreman of the shop, who has been with the firm for more than thirteen years and knows the trailer business inside and out.

Several types of trailers are being made on the assembly line at present – trailers which have proved to be the best fitted and most economical for ranch work. In addition, trailers will be built to customer specifications and in this branch of the service the firm feels that it also has no equal or superior. In another field the company has maintained its leadership, even through drouth times and reorganization strain and that field is the repair of livestock trailers of all kinds.

"Even the sturdy Gray built trailers, of which there are hundreds traveling throughout the southwest, sometimes need a patch-up job or a replacement part. That's our business too and we believe we can do them best because we built them best in the first place."

Mr. Holden emphasizes one thing new apparent as a result of the reorganization of this company: "We can build them even better today and sell them for less because we are cutting out a lot of useless operations and streamlining our assembly line plant. It is paying off in customer satisfaction and especially pleasing is our new low prices."

Light snows and moderate rains fell throughout the southwest in late January and early February to place ranges in better condition than they were this time in 1955. It is estimated that about 40% of the range area is in fair to excellent condition, about ten per cent is near normal and the balance is slightly below normal, still suffering.

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MOISTURE INFLUENCES SHEEP AND LAMB MARKETS

RAIN, SLEET and snow brought much needed moisture to a wide area of Texas during February and boosted prospects for late winter and early spring grazing on small grains, cover crops and grass pastures.

Shipments to the stockyards were reduced as farmers and ranchers saw the possibility of using natural forage to put more flesh on their animals before selling them. Prices in the country advanced and terminal market trends turned upwards in the face of lower dressed lamb trade at wholesale centers, the Agricultural Marketing Service reported.

Arrivals of sheep and lambs at San Antonio and Ft. Worth during Feb. 1-20 totaled about 34,000 head. This was eight per cent less than the same period the month before and only a few hundred head more than a year earlier. Most of the run, or some 19,000 head, went to Ft. Worth. The rest were yarded at San Antonio.

Lambs comprised the bulk of receipts at both yards, with shorn slaughter offerings predominating. Only a few yearlings and aged sheep were offered at most sessions. Demand for all types of lambs was broad enough to permit active selling.

From Feb. 1-20, sheep and lamb prices were generally steady to 50c and $1 higher throughout the list in Texas, with a limited supply of ewes the only class to show the full $1 advance. Slaughter lambs, however, looked unevenly 25 to 75c lower at Ft. Worth but this was not a true reflection of the market inasmuch as high-choice grades were scarce after the middle of the month.

Good and choice wooled slaughter lambs brought $17.50 to $18 per 100 pounds at Ft. Worth on Feb. 20 and up to $18 at San Antonio. Similar grade lambs with No. 1 and 2 pelts

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took $17.25 to $17.75 at Ft. Worth, while No. 1 pelt lambs returned $17.50 to $18 at San Antonio.

Scattered sales of good and choice shorn yearlings made $13.50 to $14 at San Antonio. Utility to good kinds cleared Ft. Worth at $14.

Sales of aged sheep included good fresh shorn wethers at $11 at San Antonio; cull to good ewes, $6.50 to $8 at San Antonio; and $7 to $8 at Ft. Worth.

Feeder lambs found fairly dependable outlets at $16.50 to $17 at San Antonio. Wooled feeders realized $16.50 to $17.50 at Ft. Worth and shorn kinds moved at $14.50 to $16.50.

Country sales of fall shorn feeder lambs in the Edwards Plateau area brought $17 during the first week of February, but mid-month sales were quoted up to $17.50 per 100 pounds. Wooled offerings brought $17 to $17.75.

Some 75,000 to 80,000 pounds of original bag, good French combing and staple 12-months wool sold in the Texas Rio Grande Plains area early in February at 51 to 55c per pound in the grease. Also, 50,000 pounds of clippings made 26 5-8c per pound in the Edwards Plateau area. Practically all the 1955 clip has moved and wool men estimate only about 250,000 pounds of wool remain unsold in Texas. No contracts of the spring clip have been reported, AMS said, but offers of 40 to 45c per pound have been made.

Marketings of goats at San Antonio during Feb. 1-20 were estimated at about 4,000 head, 9 per cent more than the same period in January and nearly four times more than a year ago. Average quality, however, was lower than usual.

Heavier marketings and lower quality saw prices turn steady to 25c lower on mature slaughter goats and 25c to $1 lower on kid goats. By Feb. 20, good shorn Angora goats sold at $6 to $6.75 per 100 pounds and common and medium Spanish types brought $5. Kid slaughter goats bulked at $3 to $4.25 per head. Stocker goats were absent from most trading sessions and prices went untested.

Mohair sales were limited in the range country, with original bag adult hair priced at 84c per pound. A few cars were contracted at 83½c per pound on adult and $1.03½ for kid hair, delivered to the warehouse.

Moisture and improved feed prospects also had a strengthening influence on most Southwest cattle prices this month, AMS reported.

Marketings tapered off following much needed moisture and prices ruled steady to 50c, spots $1 higher on slaughter cows, bulls and calves and on stocker and feeder cattle and calves. Slaughter steers and heifers, however, averaged $2 lower for the month, reflecting declines of as much as 3 and 4c per pound in dressed beef during the same period.

Heavy marketings and losses of 8 to 10c per pound in fresh pork saw hog prices tumble $2 at San Antonio and $1.75 to $2 at Ft. Worth from Feb. 1-20. Sows shared the decline at San Antonio but were only 50c to $1 lower at Ft. Worth. Feb. 20 sales of mixed U. S. 1 to 3 grade medium weight barrows and gilts bulked at $12.50 per 100 pounds at both yards, AMS said.

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Nevertheless, we have continued to use some wool fabrics, and in the 1955 model used both wool broadcloth and wool sidewall material in some of our cars. We are also investigating the use of wool blends for future consideration and have encouraged woolen mills to submit samples to our stylists. Some very interesting things are being done and if the mills continue to develop new ideas along these lines, they will no doubt create a demand that will tend to increase the use of wool in automotive fabrics.

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GRAND CHAMPION LAMB AT EL PASO LIVESTOCK SHOW

Gary Adams, member of the Upton County 4-H Club, is mighty proud of his 80-lb. Southdown lamb since he won the Grand Championship of the Southwestern Livestock Show, Junior Division in El Paso, Texas, February 6 - 12. Hillstead Farms of Denver, Colorado, was the breeder. Judge Herman Carter of San Angelo picked Gary's lamb as the best from among 609 entries.

Upton County Youths Top El Paso Show

TWO UPTON County 4-H youngsters from Rankin, Texas, showed to top advantage in the junior fat lamb division of the Southwestern Livestock Show in El Paso, Texas, February 6-12.

Gary Adams, 14-year-old member of the Upton County 4-H Club, won the Grand Champion title with "Little'n," an 80-lb. Southdown lamb bred by Hillstead Farms of Denver, Colo. Gary's fellow club member, Carolyn Branch, also 14, had the reserve champion, a 98-lb. Southdown. Her father, E. G. Branch of Rankin, was the breeder.

The fine wool champion was shown by Wayne Davis of the Coahoma, Texas, FFA chapter. He was an 89-lb. entry bred by Amie Real of Kerrville.

Herman Carter of San Angelo termed his job of judging the division a "tough one" as he worked his way through 609 fine entries in the show.

In the open breeding show, Miles Pierce of Alpine swept top prizes by taking the Rambouillet championships for both rams and ewes.

The champion ram was Colonel Kingthree Altuda, 14 months old and weighing 240 lbs. The champion ewe was Miss King Altuda 40th.

Runner-up in the open breeding Rambouillet class was Pinky Carruthers of Sanderson, Texas, who won first place in the four- to six-tooth ram class and numerous other ribbons.

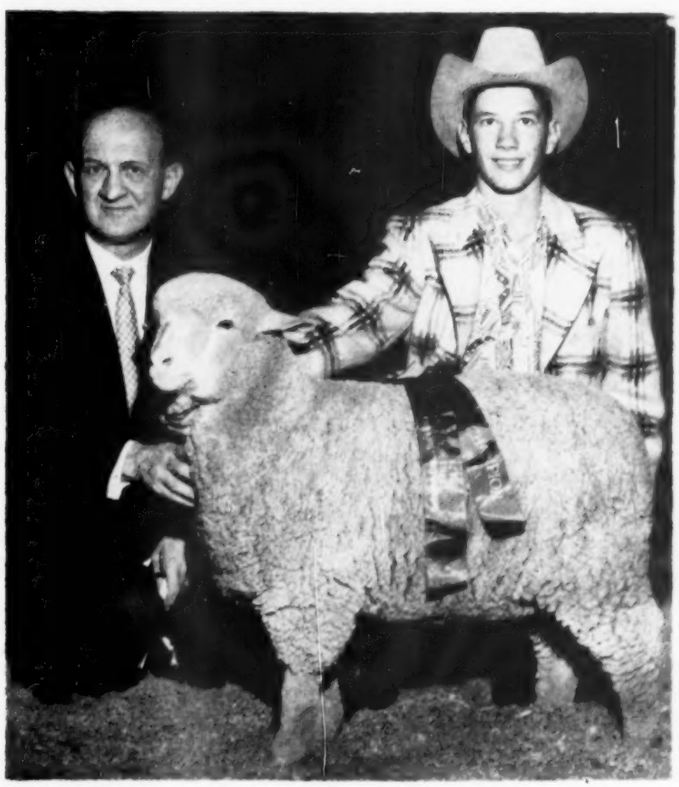
Jim Gray of San Angelo was the judge in the breeding sheep show.

Sisters Patsy and Jean Espy of Ft. Davis, members of the Brewster-Jeff Davis 4-H Club, won both the ram and ewe championships in the junior Rambouillet breeding class.

Mrs. Carole Edwards of O'Donnel, Texas, member of the Lynn County 4-H Club, was the exhibitor of the champion Southdown ram in the junior breeding show and the champion Southdown ewe in this class was shown by Barbara and Ann Harral of the Upton County 4-H.

RESERVE CHAMPION LAMB AND OWNER

Carolyn Branch, attractive young student at Rankin, Texas, High School, won Reserve Champion Lamb honors at the Southwestern Junior Livestock Show in El Paso. The lamb was a 98-lb. Southdown, and Carolyn's father, E. G. Branch of Rankin, was the breeder.



CHAMPION FINE WOOL LAMB IN EL PASO SHOW

Wayne Davis, 16, member of the Coahoma, Texas, FFA chapter, exhibited the champion fine wool lamb in the Southwestern Junior Livestock Show in El Paso. Herbert Given, shown with Wayne, is an El Paso businessman who bought the fine lamb in the auction ring, paying a price of $2.25 per pound. The breeder was Amie Real of Kerrville.

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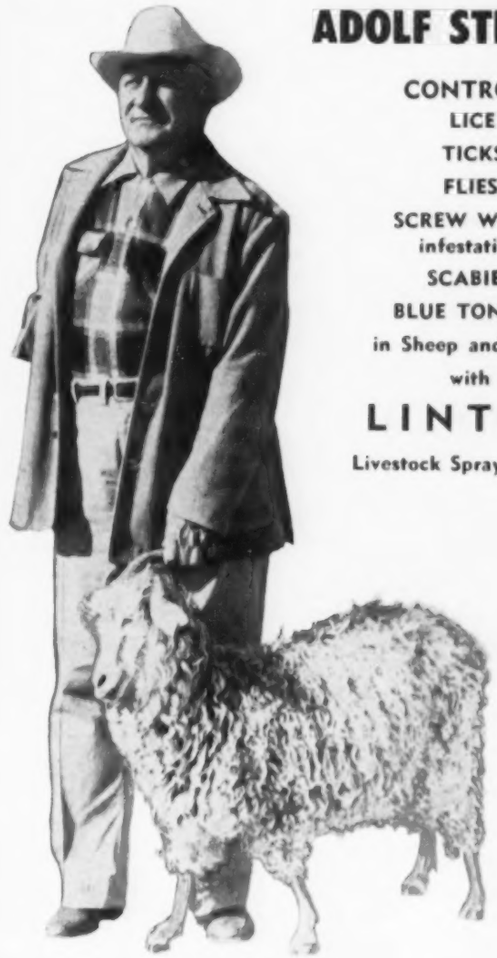

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Management of the Farm Flock

By JOE H. DIXON

THE FORT WORTH breeding show of sheep brought out many excellent individuals. I do not know when I have been more impressed with the quality of the sheep exhibited in the differnt breeds at this show. Several classes brought out a lot of top sheep and I watched with deep interest as the judges worked to make their selections.

The fat lamb and wether show, both in the open and junior classes brought out as usual several firm and good handling lambs. On the other hand, as mentioned by our Editor in the February issue of the Sheep & Goat Raiser, it also found many lambs far too fat and soft, to make good eating. To me it does not seem practical to feed lambs 30 to 50 days too long, for it certainly is a waste of feed and time to continue to feed lambs for any length of time after they have reached their peak. The public continues to prefer lean meat with the proper amount of fat.

Best Lambs Are Hard And Firm

The lamb that touches firm and hard is plenty fat to produce quality mutton, so why make lambs soft and flabby by over fitting?

It is true, all youngsters have to learn how to fit a quality lamb. Quantity is not important in terms of soft fat and tallow. If the lambs you have fitted this year for your local show do not qualify for the top prize, perhaps it may be a case of overfitting. Then, of course, there are always lambs in a show that have not been on feed long enough and do not carry the finish to place at the top of the class.

March – A Busy Month

While a lot of lambs are born or dropped in this section of the country during the fall and early winter months, March is still a busy month for lambing, for many farmers and small flock owners. To those who prefer raising black faced or other medium wool breeds, it has been my experience that many of them will lamb in late winter or early spring.

In many states wet weather sometimes causes more trouble at lambing time than cold weather but apparently so far this winter, wet weather has not caused us too much concern in this section of Texas. It is always well to have a shed or some kind of shelter for your ewes at lambing time if possible when there is a cold rain or sleet falling.

Keep An Eye On Ewe's Udder

The baby lamb many times will get off to a better start if it can be penned separately with it's mother for a day or two, especially if it is born weak. Be sure the ewe's milk stream is open and that the lamb starts to nurse properly. If ewes have too much milk for the lamb for the first week or ten days it is well to watch for udder complications and milk out part of the ewe's milk by hand. There are times when a lamb getting plenty of milk from one quarter, will not touch the other side. By watching your ewes closely, many times trouble can be avoided by making sure the lamb nurses from both sides.

Docking And Castrating

Ram lambs in most grade and commercial flocks are not kept for breeding purposes and should be castrated when from 10 days to two weeks old. You may choose your own method but do it right and chances are you will experience little trouble. Select a nice clear day to do the work. Perhaps it is best to perform the operation in the morning so that the lambs may be observed during the day.

Lambs may be docked at the same time they are castrated. Always castrate first and then dock. There are several different ways to dock a lamb but docking with a knife is the most simple and common method. Others use a masculator that crushes the bone and tends to sear the cut, to where it hardly bleeds at all. This can be used on older lambs with good satisfaction and good rsults. Of the two methods, I prefer the latter but many good sheepmen use the knife when tails are cut on lambs only a few days old.

The tail should be remvoed about an inch or an inch and a half from the body. In some cases the tail is removed with a hot docking iron and when this method is used the iron should be just hot enough to do the job and sear the blood vessels. This, of course, will check excessive bleeding. When possible it is always best to castrate and dock lambs before flies become too numerous. Pine tar or Smear 62 is good to apply to the dock after the tail has been removed. It has a tendency to be soothing and at the same time is a good fly repellent.

Ewes And Lambs Need Good Pasture

On account of recent snow and rain in this section, it should not be long before we should have abundant pasture for the ewes and lambs. When on good pasture and nursing their mothers, lambs should gain in weight rapidly. Wheat and oat pastures are, of course, ideal for winter and spring grazing. Try to avoid low, wet or marshy land for pasture as much as possible for it seems worms and stomach parasites are harder to control on this type of pasture. Hilly and rolling land seems to make better

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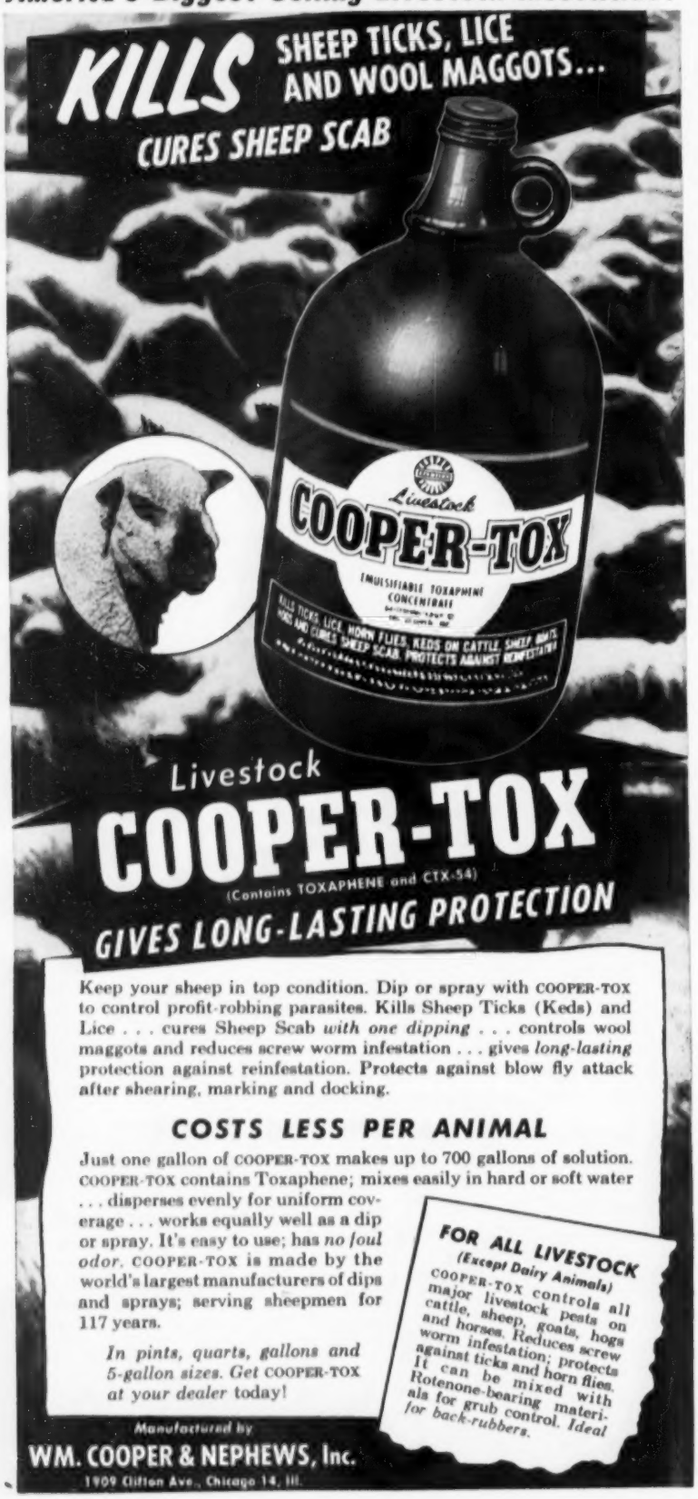

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sheep pasture and in most cases the sheep themselves prefer it.

It is a fine idea to provide pasture rotation for your flock when ever possible. Permanent pastures many times are satisfactory if they are not overstocked but sheep like a change of pasture and will do well if it is the right kind.

If your pasture gets short and dry during the hot summer months it is well to plan to treat your flock regularly for control of worms and parasites. The more times you can rotate your pasture and keep your flock on fresh feed, the less trouble you will have with stomach worms.

Shearing Time Not Far Off

A lot of shearing is done in March, April and May. While I am not a wool expert by a long ways, I have always recognized the importance of keeping the wool clean as possible before and after shearing. Keep your flock as free from burrs and sticker weeds as possible, if you expect the top market price for your wool. If you have the time and patience to remove the burrs and stickers before shearing, your wool will command a better price when you sell it.

Use best shearing equipment available, when you shear your flock. Insist that your shearers do a smooth job as free from cuts as possible. A good shearing job assures your flock of a much neater appearance either in the lot or pasture. If you plan to keep a wool production record of your ewe flock, it only takes a minute longer to weigh each fleece before sacking. Be sure to put your wool tags in a separate sack from that of your fleeces. I am sure all wool buyers and wool houses expect the producer to do this although it is not always done.

Dip the entire flock as soon after shearing as possible. A good warm day is best for this job and be sure sheep are dry if dipped in a poisonous solution, before turning them back into the pasture. It seems that a good dipping after shearing does the flock a world of good and many of our best sheepmen make a practice of doing it each year.

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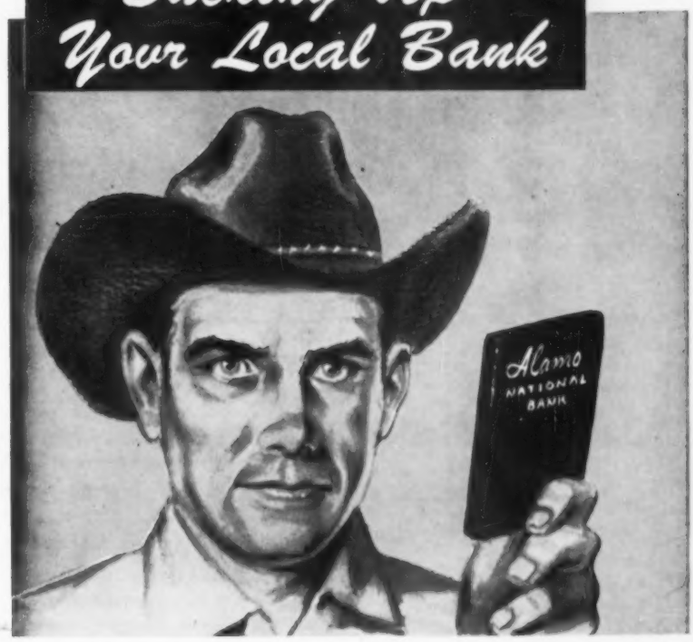

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"HOW MANY of us today get a thrill from reading old west tales or seeing some rip-roaring cowboy movie?" So begins the essay on our modern range detectives by James N. Woodman of the Range and Forestry Department of Texas A. & M. College who lives at Arlington, Texas. This 19-year-old student, who was recently awarded first place in the junior competition in the Texas Section of the American Society of Range Management, declares that he is interested in range management for several reasons. It "is like a new land which has just been opened for pioneering."

In his prize-winning essay, Mr. Woodman declares that: "Today's range 'detectives' are men who have devoted their life to the improvement of our range land. They are men who are armed with a workable knowledge of range plants rather than six guns. They search for plant clues rather than human ones."

The essay denies that the idols of the old west were more important than the present range detectives. "If you have seen much of our native range, you see why. At present, most of our range land is depleted to a pitiful state. At present, instead of seeing wavy fields of abundant grass we see fields of useless weeds or bare soil. Instead of a range land which has an eye-pleasing smoothness and unbroken terrain, we see deep gullies and ravines caused by erosion. Instead of seeing sleek, fat cattle, sheep and horses grazing contentedly on small areas of land, we see weak, bony animals searching over large areas for enough good grass to survive. That is why our range management men are so important."

Young Woodman ends his essay by declaring that the American citizen can help these range detectives by staying informed, by following range management practices, by helping educate the uninformed and by cooperating with all the conservation agencies.

AT KERRVILLE (Top Photo)

In the Kerrville District show the breeding sheep classes were excellent. On left is Kyle Wright with his champion Suffolk ram in both the Kerrville and district show. In the center is Daon Locklin with her brother's (Connie Mack Locklin) Rambouillet ewe which won championship, and on the right is Anna Rose Glasscock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Glasscock of Sonora, with the champion commercial ram.

KERRVILLE CHAMPION (Second Photo)

Lamar Itz on the extreme right of this exceptional line-up of ewes showed the first place Rambouillet ewe lamb at Kerrville in the district show.

THE LADIES HELP (Third Photo)

At the Hill Country District Livestock Show at Kerrville the Parent-Teachers Association annually gets together some of the best eating in the Southwest. The pies and cakes, made by some of the top notch cooks anywhere, are donated to the P.-T.A. to be sold during the livestock show, with the funds going to help in P.-T.A. activities. Holding down the food fort in the recent Kerrville show were the following, left to right: Mesdames Chas. Johnson, Emmerson Lutz, P. E. Collette, who is chairman, W. B. Brown, Jr., Carl Schupp, Hugo Werner and Walter Wenzel.

Minutes of Woman's Auxiliary

FOURTH QUARTERLY MEETING FT. WORTH, DECEMBER 6, 1955

THE FIRST session of the fourth quarterly meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association met on Tuesday, December 6 at the Ridglea Country Club, preceded by a luncheon, compliments of Fort Worth livestock interests, and style show sponsored by the Fair, Fort Worth, our "Miss Wool" modeling garments from her wool wardrobe.

The meeting was called to order.

The invocation was given by the president, Mrs. Lloyd Herring.

Mr. W. A. King of Fort Worth, Superintendent of Livestock Division Fort Worth Exposition and Fat Stock Show, gave words of welcome.

Response to the welcome by Chris Vance.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Annual reports of officers were given and filed.

Secretary – Mrs. Earl Barr.

Second Vice-President – Mrs. Gus Witting, Jr.

Treasurer reported a balance of $599.95.

Parliamentarian – Mrs. Lucius Stevens.

Historian – Mrs. Floyd McMullan.

Lamb and Wool Promotion Chairman – Mrs. John Alexander, gave her report and also gave highlights of the Miss Wool tour and appearances.

Mrs. Glimp – Lamb promotion.

Mrs. Hartgrove – Finance Chairman reported that she had sold $300.00 lamb stickers.

Mrs. Carl Pfluger – Education; Mrs. Felix Real, Jr., Revisions; Mrs. Stanton Bundy, Jr., publicity; Mrs. Herring, President's report; Mrs. E. S. Mayer, Sr. read a report from the resolutions committee thanking the Fort Worth citizens for an enjoyable convention.

Meeting adjourned.

The second session of the Womans Auxiliary of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association met in room 302 at the Texas Hotel on December 7 at 10 A.M. The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Herring. The president asked for communications. Letters were read from Miss Jennenne Thompson of Ozona thanking the auxiliary for the wool remnants she received, left from the contestants gowns which she made; from Marion Dean thanking the auxiliary for the $50 certificate award. Another letter was read from Miss Nena Roberson, Extension Specialist in clothing of A. & M. College to Mrs. Herring for making the presentation of the $50 award to Miss Marion Dean of Denton at the State Fair of Texas in Dallas. Marion also won the top award in the State Revue. She stated that she appreciated the cooperation of the auxiliary in the awards program. She sent a picture of Marion in the wool garment that won the award and was shown at the meeting.

The nominating committee submitted the following names for officers for the coming year: Mrs. E. S. Mayer, Sr., President; Mrs. Herman Saenger, First Vice-President; Mrs. Earl Barr, Second Vice-President. A motion was made that the report be accepted. Motion carried.

The following officers were installed by Mrs. John Alexander: Mrs. E. S. Mayer, Sr., President; Mrs. Herman Saenger, First Vice-President; Mrs. Earl Barr, Second Vice-President.

Mrs. Mayer made her acceptance talk and appointed the following officers; Mrs. Felix Real, Jr., Parliamentarian; Mrs. T. A. Kincaid, Historian; Committee appointments: Mrs. Lloyd Herring, Wool Promotion Chairman; Mrs. John Alexander, Co-Chairman; Mrs. Walter Pfluger, the Wardrobe Chairman of the "Miss Wool Show"; Mrs. Carl Pfluger, Co-Chairman.

The meeting adjourned.

Mrs. Earl Barr, Secretary Pro Tem

CHAMPION LAMBS AT UVALDE
On the left is Miss Diane Fisher, 10, Utopia 4-H Club girl, proudly holding her champion crossbred lamb of the Uvalde County Junior Stock Show. On the right is Richard Vanpelt, 14, Uvalde 4-H Club, with his champion fine wool lamb.

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ECONOMISTS SEE NEW FACTORS OPERATING IN OUR ECONOMY

JUST AS a business takes periodic inventory of its plant and equipment, so USDA keeps tab on the value of the Nation's farm assets.

If agriculture is viewed as one large industry, its land, buildings, livestock, machinery and equipment, and liquid reserves have a current market value of $163 billion. The largest item is farmland and buildings, totaling over $91 billion currently. That's about 57 per cent of all our farm assets.

Since more than half the total is in land and buildings, the annual changes in values of these items are watched closely by lending agencies, tax officials, agencies concerned with farm programs, and by people planning to buy or sell a farm.

Some view the price of farmland as a barometer of the general economic position of agriculture because this figure tends to reflect the degree of confidence that people have in farming as a profit-making business.

Most farm products flow into central markets where hourly, daily, and monthly prices are set. But farm real estate is a unique commodity. Its price is set by thousands of individuals who buy and sell farmland in thousands of communities each year.

To get accurate, timely reports on what's happening in the farm real estate market, USDA maintains an extensive network of local observation posts throughout the country.

This network was started in 1912 with a voluntary crop-reporter group. In 1926, a special group of farm-real estate dealers and other informed people were added. From reports of both groups, reliable statistics have been gathered to show the trend in farmland values for each State.

Currently, this team of nonpaid local observers totals about 16,000 farmers, who report 3 times a year, and about 10,000 special real estate reporters, contacted by mail surveys twice a year. ARS production-economics research economists summarize, analyze, and evaluate the results and publish reports 3 times a year for general distribution.

What does this research show? It gives proof that land values tend to rise and fall with farm income and other indicators of business conditions. But the relationship is not perfect. Land values never rise as high or drop as low as earnings for a year or two seem to justify.

The outbreak of World War II sparked the longest steady rise in land values since records were started in 1912. Values had nearly doubled by late 1948, then dipped slightly from the mild post-war recession.

Then Korea came along and boosted values another 20 per cent within 16 months. This put values at a new all-time peak 23 per cent above the previous peak in 1920. As farm income started to decline in late 1952, land values also slipped — but not nearly as much as farm income.

Then a unique situation developed. Land values firmed and a rise began. It continued through 1955 — setting a new peak — even though farm income was declining. Values had risen 8 per cent since the 1952 low.

What happened to upset the hand-in-hand relationship observed over 43 years? From local observers' reports and other material, the economists conclude that several new factors are operating to offset the expected effects of lower income:

1. Farmers have continued to bid strongly for land to enlarge their farms. Caught in a squeeze between lower prices and rising costs, farmers find mechanization is one means of reducing production costs per unit. Often, more land is needed to make more efficient use of machinery farmers have or want to buy.

2. Credit to finance farm purchases has become more readily available. Several major lenders reduced interest rates and raised appraised values for loan purposes in 1954.

3. The booming nonfarm economy, and prospects for continued population growth, have indirectly helped to hold land prices up. This leads many people to believe that a farm is still a sound long-term investment. It is tangible and, they believe, more likely to maintain its value if inflation occurs. Noting the rapid increase in population and the fixed supply of land, many people are inclined to minimize the current less-favorable relationship between income and land price when they bid for land.

But too much reliance should not be placed on an increasing population to bring about a "scarcity value" of land. The potential capacity of our farm plant, along with technical advances in prospect over the next 20 years, seems capable of meeting increased food and fiber needs.

More efficient production of farm products, and returns to agriculture comparable with other sectors of the economy, may be more important problems in the years ahead than "food enough." The real basis for land values in the future, as in the past, must be their long-term potentiality for farm earnings.

The number of Angora goats in Texas has increased by about 250,000 head according to Extension Service officials. The increase, it is believed is due to the use of goats for brush control and because of the good prices for mohair.

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Kinney County Has Excellent Initial Livestock Event

THE LIVESTOCK PEOPLE were most happy at the outcome of the first annual Kinney County 4-H and FFA Livestock Show which was held at Brackettville on Saturday, February 4. Word Sherrill, Uvalde County ranchman, and Don Gallman, County Agent, were judges. Happy Shahan, Kinney County ranchman, was auctioneer. 28 lambs went through the sale and they averaged an astonishing $1.09 per pound with a minimum of $1 per pound. The champion lamb exhibited by Paul and Nan Davis of Brackettville brought $1.31 per pound from W. L. Moody, IV. The reserve champion brought $1.32 from the Producers Wool and Mohair Co. It was shown by Cotton Cummings. Resale of livestock in the sale made the 4-H Club $963 and the Memorial Hospital $840. The total of the sale was $4,973.

The grand champion steer was shown by Tullis Shahan and bred by his father, Happy Shahan, Brackettville. The reserve champion was bred by Leo Frerich; shown by Ray Frerich.

The top Rambouillet ram was shown by George Bayers and bred by Allen Belcher. The champion ewe was shown by George Bayers and bred by Belcher also. The reserve champion by Robert Tidwell, bred by Arthur Shwandner. The top ram was shown by H. L. Bitter and bred by Ham Forester, Del Rio. The ewe was shown by Sarah Higgins. The FFA class exhibited several nice hogs.

B. G. Hill is County Agent of Kinney County.

BLACKMON RANCH SELLS

THE BLACKMON ranch half way between Rocksprings and Brackettville in Edwards County, consisting of something more than 20,000 acres, is reported to have been sold to Ted Dunham of Baton Rouge, Louisiana at a price of $30 per acre. The ranch was sold by three attorneys representing the Blackmon heirs and it is understood that Mr. Dunham has already taken possession and is to live on the ranch. He is moving Brahman type cattle to the place. Extensive improvement is expected to be made on the ranch, clearing the land of cedar and other undesirable vegetation and in soil conservation practices.

This is said to be one of the largest ranch sales made in the area in several years.

OF ALL THINGS

CONNIE MACK Locklin, Sonora, who for the past several years has made an outstanding record in the sheep shows and the wool shows, is going to Texas University and is studying architecture, of all things. Cute Daon Locklin is having a big time showing Connie Mack's breeding this year and doing right well with it. They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Locklin of Sutton County.

The sheepmen of Kinney County will gather at the county barn at Brackettville on March 13 for a Kinney County wool preparation demonstration. B. G. Hill is County Agent and Jim Gray, Extension Wool Specialist, will be in charge.

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FOXTAIL JOHNSON OBJECTS

SEVERAL SUBSCRIBERS to the Hardscabble Clarion got all riled up when they was cut off 'cause they hadn't paid up for nine years. The editor says the press of America is free, all right, but not free grattis.

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There's folks over the Beaver Slide neighborhood so rich they have eggs for breakfast even when their own hens ain't layin'.

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The candidate that promises efficiency means he won't stop at takin' next to our last dollar in taxes. He'll take the very last.

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Last night I went to a school board meetin' to hear a debate on "Segregation for Safety." What they talked about was segregatin' the younguns of the Johnson tribe for the safety of the others.

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My nephew, Gumboot, is too lazy to work on any day of the week but Sunday, and too pious to work then.

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The young feller that waits around for a leap year proposal can just wait. Any female that means business don't pay no never mind to the callender.

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Sen. Windmill didn't win too many country votes when he come out for price support at 190% of parity, but he's dom' better with his new program for keepin' all farm Caddilacks repaired at guvverment expense.

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Now the doctors say for sure that men ain't as healthy as wimmen. Yesterday I remarked to Bermuda that it was on account of men have to live with wimmen, and today I'm sicklier'n ever.

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Nobody is as lucky as the farmer. Irregardless of how tough things get, there's always new friends comin' along to help him out of the mess his old friends got him into.

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At 20 a young man can think he has the world by the tail, but at 30 he feels more like he has a bull by the horns.

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Nub Plinker claims he can ricollect when Squawberry Flat was so dry the folks had to haul drinkin' water. Humph! I been here longer'n he has and I can't ricollect when the folks was dry enough to drink water.

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To hear the Rooshans tell it, they've got more and faster airplanes, more and deeper submarines, more and heavier tanks, more and bigger bombs. They tell more and bigger lies, too.

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I object to tax money bein' spent for them figgers they call farm employment statisticks. There's quite a few of us out here on the farms that ain't employed and don't mean to be.

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Golly, no! It ain't Friday the 13th that we're afraid of. It's election day.

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Franklin saved his money and Washington couldn't tell a lie. But

that was nigh 200 years ago. If they was livin' today they'd be just as good Americans as any of us.

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Now some city boy comes up with the bright idea that farmers oughta work 40 hours a week in some factory, on the side. But they can't spare the time. It'd cut down their farm work week 30%.

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Clab Huckey says he ain't without friends 'cause there's always the politishuns. But I still say Clab is just outa friends.

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Maybe it ain't the quality of the teachers that's off. Maybe it's the quality of what we send 'em to be taught.

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Our town banker says it's no mystery why most farmin' is done with borrowed money. Any farmer smart enough to make money is too smart to risk it on farmin'.

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I ain't a mite surprised that some of my neighbors don't like me. There's times when I don't like myself very much.

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Sledge Wicup was tellin' Quag Tofer he oughta trade in his old milkin' masheen on a new model. But Quag said it'd be plumb ridickalous, at his age, to get divorced and remarried.

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Farms has to get outa the way of subdividers. Subdivisions has to get outa the way for airfields. And I know what the airfields is gonna have to get outa the way for, one of these days.

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Josh Blicker says he installed a bar, a pool table and a TV at their home, but still his boy goes out ever night. Trouble is, Josh didn't install that little Hipple redhead down the road.

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I wouldn't mind the waste of tax money so much if just a little of it was wasted on me.

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My childern's opinion of me changes as they grow up. When I was raisin' 'em they knew I was loco, and now they suspect I'm plumb crazy.

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JACK RICHARDSON of Uvalde is building up one of the largest registered Angora goat herds in the country. He now has about 200 extra fine quality registered Angora goats and these are bred to the top Angora bucks which he has purchased at the Angora goat sales last year and in other years. Mr. Richardson expects that he will get better than 100 per cent kid crop from these goats inasmuch as he is kidding in the barn and is giving them careful attention.

Mr. Richardson will offer some 400 head of yearling bucks in July in his third annual buck sale. These bucks are being given the best attention so that they will be in shape for the sale.

Jack Richardson is one of the most optimistic of all Angora goat people. He says that there is only one way for the Angora goat business to go and that is up; that right now there is more demand for Angora goats than at any time in the past 25 years; that all classes are selling on a steady firming market, pointing out that ordinary range does are selling from $10 to $15 in the hair if they are ready to kid. It is practically impossible to buy them. George Rainey, for instance, who ranches in the Uvalde area, in early February refused $15 for 1,100 head of coming two-year-old does.

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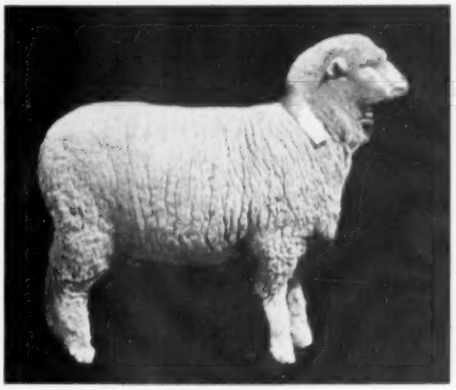

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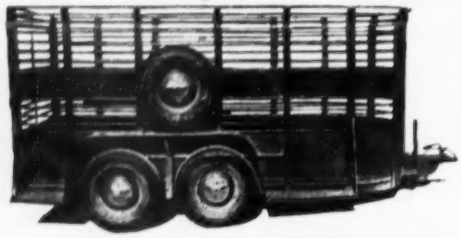

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Burnet County Commercial Lamb Feeding Project

By MRS. G. A. GLIMP

THE BURNET County commercial lamb feeding project marketed 250 of the lambs on Monday, February 20, through the Cassidy Commission Co. of Fort Worth.

The lambs were graded on the previous Saturday at Burnet and Bertram by Tad Boswell and Jerry Coffee of the Cassidy Sheep Division. They were graded into three classes, namely, choice and prime for all the top lambs; good on the second grade lambs, and the balance were classed as either medium slaughter or feeders. On the market, the top lambs brought $18.50-$17.50, the second class $16, and a few sold at $14.

FFA boys from Burnet, Bertram and Marble Falls participated in the lamb feeding project as well as Burnet County 4-H boys. These boys and their adult leaders were transported to Fort Worth by a Burnet High School bus, where they were quartered for the night in the Westbrook Hotel. They were on hand at the stock yard Monday morning where they saw their lambs sorted, sold, etc. They were paid while there and given a personal tour of Swift & Co. plant. A highlight of their trip was their appearance as a group on Ted Gouldy's Market News program on WBAP-570 on Monday.

This program has come a long way since the beginning some few years ago. Progress has been in evidence not only from the growth in numbers, but a much better quality of lambs is being selected. This is an educational program that should have the backing of anyone interested in growing and marketing better lambs.

The boys who participated in the project were: Bertram FFA – Keith Smith, Ted Baker, Dickie Everett, Jim Allen, Steve Williams, Donald Knight, Gene Cox, James Ellett, Norman Snow, Bobby Bailey, Charles Orr, Robert McAlister, Glen Ringstaff, Bentley Knox, Ralph Baker and Butch Watson.

Burnet FFA – Monte Ross, Jimmy Douglass, Kenny Peck and David Garrison.

Marble Falls FFA – Larry Lewis, Doyle Naumann, Jimmie Dan Taylor, John Gregg, Tommy Shifflett, Corky Corker and Glen Riddell.

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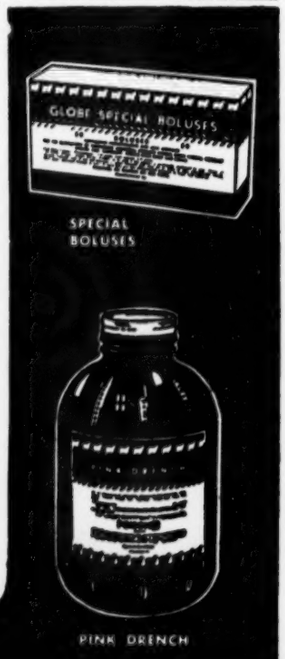

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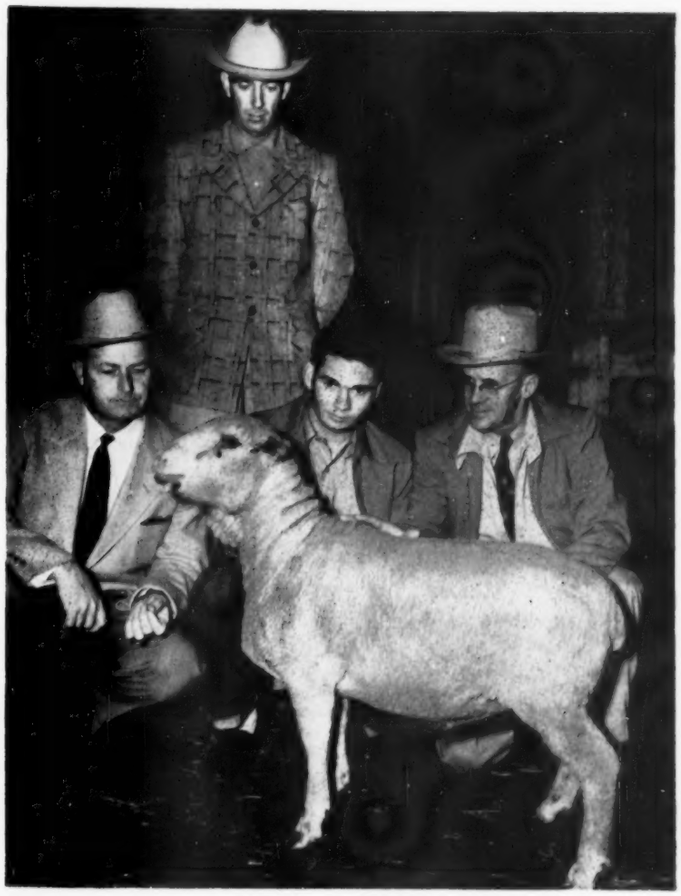

ONE OF THE MANY NICE FAT LAMBS

In the Burnet County Commercial Lamb Feeding Project there were many nice fat lambs – all of them were. Here is one with some admirers. Standing is W. H. Pittard, Jr., Vocational Agriculture teacher, Bertram, a hard-working enthusiast in the project. From left to right: S. S. Shultz, president of the Cassidy Commission Company; James Ellett, FFA boy, Bertram; and Thad Boswell, salesman for Cassidy, Fort Worth.

COMMERCIAL LAMB PROJECT

Burnet County boys, their sponsors, friends and lambs are shown in this picture taken at the Fort Worth yards.

Johnny and Kenny Kroeger, Burnet; Franklin Allen and Bill Wallace, Bertram; and Kenneth Cosper, Okalla.

The supervision of this program was very carefully done by W. H. Pittard, Tom Henry, Foy Page, and County Agent James C. Sawyer.

The Ohio Cooperative Wool Marketing Association voted unanimously in early February to join the National Wool Marketing Corporation, which is selling agent for 22 of the wool marketing co-ops. This lines up about all of the cooperative wool marketing associations under the national banner, making it stronger than ever before.

SAYS STATE SHOULD PAY FOR LOSS FROM DEER

H. T. BRAUCHLE, Route 8, Box 188, San Antonio, writes the magazine another interesting letter and says this about the deer problem in the Hill Country:

"I don't want the public to think I hate deer. I have a two-year-old doe with a bell. This doe comes into the kitchen to get milk. She has cost us over $150.

"The state should pay crop damage, also damage done to cars and for deaths on the highway. Last summer there were seven dead deer (from automobile collision) on a six-mile stretch on the highway west of San Antonio.

"My farm is 15 miles from San Antonio on Highway 16. The country around me is all hilly – no farms. We are in a mess. We can't raise a crop because of deer and we can't rent our farm because of deer. I was 86 on February 2nd – on ground hog day – and I have been rooting all my life."

H. T. BRAUCHLE.

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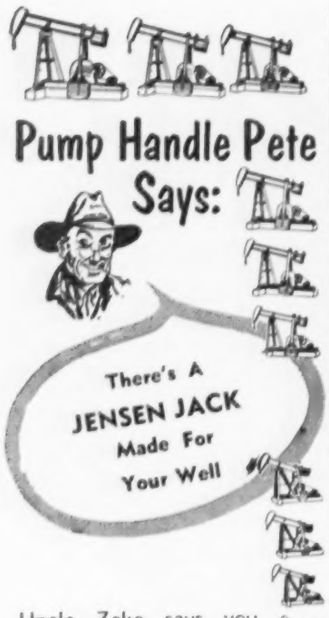

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Val Verde County Livestock Show Boosters

THEY HELPED THE DEL RIO SHOW

Here is a line-up of Del Rio men who go far to make the Val Verde County livestock show one of the most interesting in the state. At the left is Tommy Tatum, County Agent; Walter Fawcett, Chairman of the show; P. A. Tanksley, Superintendent of the Public Schools, and W. D. McElroy, Teacher of Vocational Agriculture, who came to Del Rio last September from Midland. Oh, yes, the happy young lady is his daughter, Joan, 13.

VAL VERDE COUNTY SWEETHEARTS

No show in Del Rio would be complete without 4-H Club and FFA Sweethearts. Here are shown Sandra Stewart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wyman Stewart, 4-H Club Sweetheart, and Carol Tanksley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Tanksley, FFA Sweetheart.

The president of the Oklahoma Sheep Breeders Association is M. Floyd Ames, Amorita; W. A. Drake, Cushing, vice-president, and Prof. Bob Noble, Oklahoma A & M, secretary-treasurer.

Mrs. J. Ross Richardson recently sold her ranch in Bandera and Kerr Counties to Mr. and Mrs. Walter W. McCutchen of Pecos. The reported price of the ranch was approximately $100,000.

LAMB IN HISTORY

THE STORY of the sheep industry goes way back into history. In fact it is known that sheep husbandry flourished long before history was written. References to sheep appear in the first writings of man as well as in many passages of the Bible. Lamb and mutton were featured in the medieval feasts of England. One immense feast is said to hav included 500 lambs, in addition to deer, fowl and oxen. One writer, in describing a feast in Scotland, states that the central dish was a yearling lamb set on its legs with a bunch of parsley in its mouth. The custom of using mint sauce with lamb is evidently a very old one. This is revealed by a bit of verse which was written centuries ago, as follows:

"Always have lobster sauce with salmon,
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Today, through modern methods, lamb of high quality is being produced throughout America. It's good eating, too. Serve lamb more often.

HONDO REPORT

January 24, 1956

RANGE SHORT, fall crops, oats, clover, small grain—too short for grazing. had 1½ inches of rain in past week but need more. Stock water short, well going down, new wells drilled, old ones being drilled deeper, tanks dry. Stock in fair shape, heavy feeding continuing.

ANDREW ECKHART,
Hondo, Texas.

START IN GOAT BUSINESS

THIS COUNTRY is getting started in the sheep and Angora goat business. Six years ago when I came to this country we saw very few sheep and no Angora goats and now there are quite a few of both in my neighborhood and more seem to be getting interested.

ARNOLD J. AHRENS,
Route 1, Lamar, Arkansas.

Val Verde Show Results

Results of the lamb show follow. (Prime Lambs.)

HEAVYWEIGHT FINEWOOL—John Kercheville, Pete Latham, Herbert Noack, Robert Walsh, Hadley Wardlaw (2), Lynn Noack, Johnny Lee Brockwell, Gary Dunkin, Tommy Wilson, Benton Wardlaw, Shirley Harrison, Maynard Hill, Don Patrick, Floyd Brockwell, Arthur Glaze, Cody Wardlaw, John Potter and Richard Skiles.

LIGHTWEIGHT FINEWOOL — Martin Wardlaw (2), Shirley Harrison, Robert Walsh, Ronnie Ratliff, Maynard Hill, Marion Ratliff, Jr., Ronnie Ratliff, Curtis Fawcett, Scooter Martin.

CHAMPION FINEWOOL — Johnny Kercheville, Martin Wardlaw, reserve.

CROSSBRED HEAVYWEIGHT — Kercheville (2), Hill, George Ridgeway, Gary Dunkin, Joe Cummings, W. R. Cammack, Floyd Brockwell, Cody Wardlaw, Ronald Cummings, Pat Potter, Kenneth Rust, David Smith (2), Steve Wipff, Jay Wineyard, Hadley Wardlaw, Tommy McGuire, Leta Laltans, Illen Cummings, Marion Ratliff, Lynn Noack, Lenn Townsend, and Benton Wardlaw.

CROSSBRED LIGHTWEIGHT—Maynard Hill, Benny Tanksley, Penny Townsend, David Killingsworth, Tom Taylor, Tommy Wilson, Tommy Parks (2), Martin Wardlaw, Lee Weathersby, J. J. Foster, Stanley Weiss and John Potter.

CHAMPION CROSSBRED — Johnny Kercheville, Maynard Hill, reserve.

Results of the Rambouillet Breeding show follow:

EWE LAMB—1. Benton Wardlaw, Thomas and Fred Rose, breeders; 2. Jim Cauthorn, 3. and 4. Robert Fawcett, Thomas and Fred Rose, 5. Joe Cummings, H. C. Noelke.

YEARLING EWE—1. Bill Cauthorn, 2. Pat Rose III, 3 and 4. Cauthorn, and 5. Rose. All from Pat Rose, Jr. breeding.

GROUP TWO EWES—1. Jim Cauthorn, Rose, 2. Rose, 3. Cauthorn, 4 Cody Wardlaw, Sheffield and Thomas and Fred Rose, and 5. Benton Wardlaw, Sheffield and Rose.

CHAMPION EWE — Jim Cauthorn, reserve, Pat Rose III.

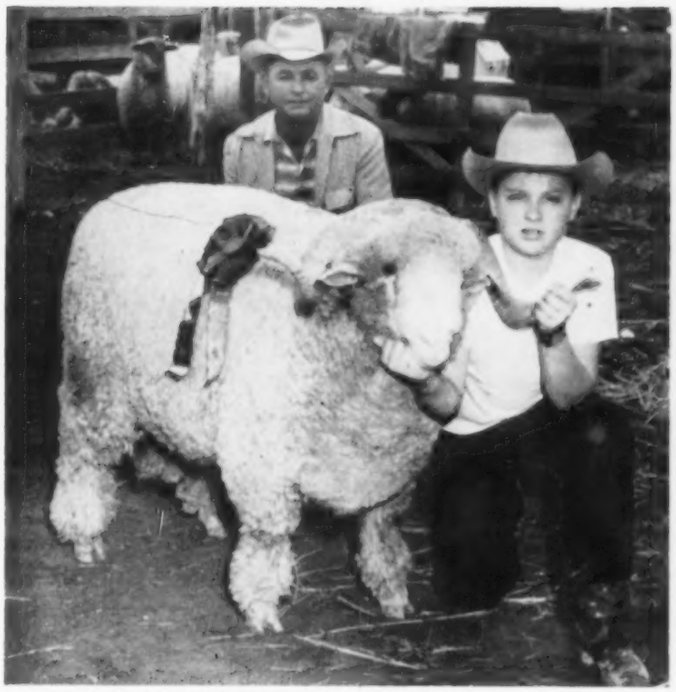
RAM LAMB — 1. Rose, 2. Maynard Hill, Miles Pierce breeding, 3. Bill Cauthorn, Pierce and 4. Hadley Wardlaw, Thomas and Fred Rose.

YEARLING RAM—1. Rose, 2. Bill Cauthorn, Rose, 3. Tommy Wilson, Rose, 4. Benton Wardlaw, Thomas and Fred Rose, and 5. Tommy Wilson, Rose.

GROUP TWO RAMS—1. Rose, 2. Maynard Hill, Pierce and Sheffield, 3. Cauthorn, Rose and Cauthorn, and 4. Tommy Wilson, Rose.

CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION RAMS—Pat Rose III.

The old Nelson Johnson barns where so many breeding sheep were sold through the past years are now remodeled and are in use as feed pens. Harvey Martin, well-known livestock trader, now owns the yards and has them in operation. The first shipment was to the north of some 400 head of good weight lambs of Marvin Sewell of Big Spring.



CHAMPION RAM AT DEL RIO

Pat Rose III is shown holding his champion ram of the Del Rio show. His father, breeder of the sheep, is in the background. This ram was first place yearling ram.

KERCHEVILLE WINS BOTH

Johnny Kercheville, 18, FFA boy of Del Rio, won both champions in the Val Verde County Livestock Show. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Kercheville of Del Rio, and the pretty young lady is his sister, Mary Kay, who helped him hold. The reserve champion fine wool lamb was owned by Martin Wardlaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dink Wardlaw. The reserve champion crossbred lamb was shown by Maynard Hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Hill of Del Rio.

VAL VERDE COUNTY SHOW

On the extreme right is Pat Rose III and Pat Rose, Jr., sporting the horizontally striped shirt. Little Pat won first place in both the yearling ram and ram lamb class of the breeding sheep show at Del Rio. This is the line-up of yearling rams.

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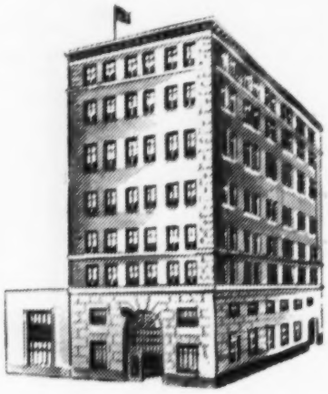

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The Texas Livestock Sanitary Commission and Employees

AT THE request of several ranchmen we are printing here the present set-up of the Texas Livestock Sanitary Commission, together with the names and addresses of most of the employes. This list should be filed in order that quick reference may be made to it should the occasion arise.

The break-down of the organization is: Commission members, 6; Administrative, 11; Field Veterinarians, 1; Regional Supervisors, 4; and acting, 1; Tick and Scabies Inspectors, 47, and Stockyard Inspectors, 13. There are 15 county paid inspectors – total 95.

The large number of Tick and Scabies Inspectors is due largely to the activities of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association in its efforts to push the complete eradication of the scabies trouble. Apparently good progress is being made.

COMMISSION MEMBERS

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V. W. Boswell, Commissioner, 401 South Lake St., (P.O. Box 708), Fort Worth, Texas.

Joe Fechtel, Commissioner, 1407 N. Industrial, Dallas, Texas.

Dr. H. H. Payne, Commissioner, Box 3, El Campo, Texas.

M. C. Puckett, Commissioner, Box 366, Fort Stockton, Texas.

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WOOL SELLS

IT WAS reported that two choice Terrell County wool clips were sold in late February at prices to 55½c per pound. This wool was ordinary 12-months wool and of good quality and light shrinkage. One sale was that of the 22,000-pound clip of Sid Harkins, Sanderson, purchased by Emery, Russell and Goodrich, Boston, through Al Dishman, Ernest Woodward and Jack Hughes. The 32,000-pound Big Canyon Ranch clip of Menard is reported to have brought the same price in a sealed bid sale.

Scattered sales in the same price range have been reported over West Texas during the month.

Mohair prices range around 81½c for adult hair and $1.01½ for kid hair.

The Bywaters Ranch belonging to Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Myres has been sold to E. M. Gross of Dallas for $155,500. The place with its lavish fences and home consisted of 2335 acres.

In Memoriam

CLINT SHIRLEY

CLINT SHIRLEY, 54, one of the most prominent livestock commission dealers in the business, especially in sheep on the Fort Worth yards, died in Fort Worth, February 9. He was ill for many months.

For more than 28 years Shirley operated as a livestock commission man on the Fort Worth market. He was in his youth an employee of the stock yards company. Later he started his own firm and through hard work and tireless effort built it to one of the largest in the nation. His specialty was sheep.

One of his cherished projects was the promotion of lamb in Texas and in doing so developed the idea of a lamb ham pre-cooked for instant serving. He spent many thousands of dollars and untold time on this project alone which may some day revolutionize some phases of lamb marketing.

Mr. Shirley was an enthusiastic supporter of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association, and a director of the Texas Purebred Sheep Breeders Association. He was also a member of numerous other civic and business organizations in Fort Worth.

He is survived by his wife, mother, two sisters and two brothers.

JOHN BARTON

JOHN A. BARTON, 62, died in a Comanche hospital February 5, after suffering a heart attack. Mr. Barton served as County Agent of Comanche County 12 years and as County Agent of Runnels County 19 years. He received the Superior Service Award from the Secretary of Agriculture, being one of only three Texas County Agents to be so honored. He was awarded the 20- and 30-year certificates by the Epsilon Sigma Phi, honorary Extension fraternity. He also held the distinguished county agents' award from the National County Agricultural Agents Association. Mr. Barton entered the extension service in 1924. In 1927 he married the former Miss Ruby Durham, who survives. Also surviving are two brothers, Roy and A. C. Barton, both of Port Lavaca, and a sister, Miss Ada Jane Barton of Sinton.

J. H. CLARK

JOHN HENRY CLARK, 88, pioneer Irion County ranchman, died at his home at Mertzon, February 25, after suffering a heart attack. In 1899, Mr. Clark married the former Jennie Nicholson, who survives. The Clarks had lived in Irion County 56 years.

Other survivors are a son, Raymond Clark of Mertzon; five daughters, Mrs. E. J. Cox and Mrs. George Parks, both of Mertzon; Mrs. D. F. Owens of Winslow, Arizona; Mrs. W. E. Burns of Robert Lee and Mrs. J. A. Funston of Monroe, Louisiana, 16 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

BUCK JONES

BUCK JONES, for more than 20 years windmill specialist with West Texas Lumber Company, died in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, February 11.

LLEWELLYN RUST

LLEWELLYN RUST, 82, died at his home in Del Rio, February 5. Mr. Rust was born in Leesburg, Virginia, in 1873. He married Miss Margaret Sparks of St. Louis, Missouri, in 1901 and the couple moved to San Angelo where they lived until 1905, when they moved to Del Rio. Mrs. Rust died in 1946.

Mr. Rust was in the telephone business in San Angelo with his brothers, Jerry and John Y. Rust and later purchased the Del Rio and Western Telephone Company. In 1948 he retired as president of the Del Rio and Winter Garden Telephone Company which later became the Del Rio and Western Telephone Company.

About 1916 he entered the ranching business in association with R. W. Prosser and W. F. Boggess and was president of the Bluff Creek Ranch Company at the time of his death.

In 1905 he became associated with the Del Rio National Bank and was named president of the bank in 1907, in 1914 and again in 1942, which office he held at the time of his death.

Mr. Rust was a member of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association, the National Wool Growers Association, the Chamber of Commerce, was first vice-president of the Producers Wool and Mohair Company, president of the First Federal Savings and Loan Association, a member of the Episcopal Church and a life member of the Masonic Lodge.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Raymond M. Crosby; three sons, Sparks Rust, Llewellyn Rust, Jr. of Del Rio and Beverly Rust of San Antonio; eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

MRS. GEORGE H. McDONALD

MRS. GEORGE H. McDONALD, 85, died January 15 in the McDonald Hotel which she had owned and operated for about 60 years. Mrs. McDonald was born in Van Zandt County and moved with her family to Hamilton County. She married Mr. McDonald when she was 18 and the couple came to Sonora in a wagon about 65 years ago. They ranched near Sonora and later purchased the old Wyatt Hotel property and a store in Sonora. After Mr. McDonald's death, Mrs. McDonald remodeled the hotel and renamed it the McDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. William Jennings Bryan were among famous personages who have been guests at the McDonald Hotel.

Surviving are two sons, Dr. Arthur McDonald, Del Rio, and George McDonald of Waco; a daughter, Mrs. W. P. McConnell, Jr., Sonora; three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

J. B. YOUNG

J. B. YOUNG, SR., 72, president of the National Livestock Commission Company, Fort Worth, died of a heart attack at his home, January 8. A native of Fort Worth, Mr. Young had been in the cattle business all his adult life. He had ranch holdings in Pecos and Reeves Counties.

Surviving are his wife; a son, J. B. Young, Jr., Fort Worth; two daughters, Mrs. J. Lloyd Parker, Jr., Fort Worth, and Mrs. Robert L. McCamey, Tyler, and three grandchildren.

WILLIAM H. DANFORTH

WILLIAM H. DANFORTH, well-known to many ranchmen of Texas, founder and chairman of the board of the Ralston Purina Company, died of a heart attack Christmas Eve at his home in St. Louis. He was 85 years old. With his family he was awaiting the arrival of Christmas carolers when he was stricken. He was founder and president of the National Christmas Carols Association.

As founder of one of the nation's largest livestock feed and breakfast cereals companies, Mr. Danforth built the company to an organization of 47 mills scattered throughout the United States and Canada.

He was one of the organizers of the American Youth Foundation, a recognized author of merit, and with Mrs. Danforth set up the Danforth Foundation for students. He was also honored by many business and fraternal organizations.

L. P. CLARK

ONE OF the best known names in the Texas Delaine-Merino sheep industry is that of L. P. Clark, 81, a native of Lampasas County, who died January 28 from a heart attack.

Mr. Clark was born July 6, 1874, a few miles north of Lampasas. He married Miss Leona Bennett, June 12, 1904 at Copperas Cove. She survives him, along with four children, Mrs. Fred Nichols and Mrs. Addie Pue of Lampasas, Ralph Courtney of Copperas Cove, and Oliver Clark of Brazoria; six sisters and two brothers, seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Mr. Clark's life was quite a varied one. He was at one time a saddle maker and at another a barber, but for the past thirty years and more he was quite widely known as a breeder of registered Delaine sheep and a sheep judge of note. He retired in 1947.

LATE NEWS . . .

WOOL AVERAGE RELEASED

A LATE February release of 1955 wool averages is quite important because when the averages for the wool marketing year, which ends in March, are determined they will be used to calculate 1955 incentive payment on the domestic wool clip. From April, 1955, through January, 1956, the average price of wool sold in Texas was 44c per pound and in the United States it was also 44c per pound. It is estimated that over 90% of the wool was sold by the end of January, 1956. If these figures are accurate, and apparently they are, the 10% remaining tonnage is not likely to have material affect one way or the other upon these averages. Most Texas growers, however, seem to be anticipating an average price of around 40c per pound.

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Texas Delaine News

By MRS. G. A. GLIMP

THE MAJOR livestock shows are the main topics of conversation now, and certainly after attending one to see the exceptional quality of the animals on exhibition, it is easy to understand why.

The extremely bad weather did not permit too many association members to attend the show in Fort Worth. The Delaine show was very good, and the number participating larger than last year, despite the weather. J. M. Jones judged the show, and Joe LeMay and Lynn Kirby are to be congratulated on having the Champion Ewe and Ram of the show.

The San Antonio Livestock Show has certainly finished the most successful in every respect. The lamb show was the best with a far greater number than ever. The Delaine Association is justly proud of Champion Fine Wool Lamb bred by R. R. Walston and fed and fitted by Wess Wise of Rockwood, and the Reserve Champion bred, fed, and fitted by Glenn Bragg of Talpa. This is quite a record for these boys, as it is exactly the way they had placed in their county show previously.

The Junior Delaine Show was the best on the entire show circuit so far with the following exhibitors, Ola Mae Itz, Peggy Pafford, Annette Duncan, Wesley Lee, Eugene Duren, Theron Beane, Mullin; Chester Berry, Prentiss Head, Bobby Booker, Goldthwaite; Johnny Swenson, Pflugerville; Thornton Secor, Ingram; Anna Rose Glasscock of Sonora; L. L. and Earl Keese, Bandera, and Hudson Glimp of Burnet. The animals were very good, and every boy and girl exhibiting is to be commended for the fine job they did of feeding and fitting these top Delaines. Judge George Johanson found picking the top animals no easy matter. Somehow or other when a boy or girl cases through the sheep barn to see a sign bearing the name of Ola Mae Itz, they feel sure at least one champion will be hers. She took the honors with both Champions for the second time in her career of showing in San Antonio. Ola Mae is a senior in the Harper High School and has truly made one of the most remarkable records with her registered Delaines unsurpassed by any other breeder. Her fine sportsmanship has been as commendable at all times as the fine quality of her animals. It has been a pleasure to have watched her success mount, and we hope it continues.

Hudson Glimp had the Reserve Champions. The Delaine Association awarded a trophy to the premier exhibitor of the show with each dollar counting a point. Hudson won the trophy with a score of 77 points, Thornton Secor 57 and Chester Berry 47 points.

The Adult Show was also very good with the following exhibitors participating: A. C. Lindeman, Donald Bradford, David Watters, Sagebeil Brothers, and G. A. Glimp. A. C. Lindeman had Champion Ram, and G. A. Glimp, Reserve. G. A. Glimp had Champion Ewe and Donald Bradford, Reserve.

The new organization of sheep breeders from Hamilton County and surrounding counties are making plans for their show and sale and are now open for membership. Lynn Kirby of Evant is secretary of this organization and will be glad to furnish information to those desiring it. Paul Gromatzky has been instrumental in helping this organization become a reality, and we hope to see more Delaines as a result from it.

The Delaine Association was grieved to learn of the passing of our eldest member, L. P. Clark, who died in the Lampasas hospital from a heart attack January 28.

During his life, Mr. Clark followed many trades, but his greatest love was sheep. He devoted most of his time to raising and improving the sheep flocks of this section and attended many shows, where he had many ribbons to show for his winning. He served as judge in many of the shows and was always ready to attend one. Mr. and Mrs. Clark had passed 52 years of marriage, and his cheerful presence will be greatly missed by all of us. The members of the association extend deepest sympathy to Mrs. Clark and the children in their great loss.

COWSERT JOINS TESTING FIRM

ALONZO COWSERT, Sonora, for the past six years an assistant warehouseman for the Sonora Wool and Mohair Company, has resigned to become manager of the San Angelo branch of the U. S. Testing Company. He will work with Berry Duff, Denver, Colorado, who is in charge of the firm's operations in the western part of the country. The operation of the firm located at 427 South Oakes in San Angelo, consists of the processing of samples to determine shrinkage of wool. The firm has some 20 core sampling machines in West Texas.

H. E. McCulloch, well-known San Angelo business man and ranchman, and a candidate for Mayor, recently sold his interest in the San Angelo Livestock Auction Company. Oscar Wyatt, long-time associate in the business, also sold his interest. Ownership now rests with J. B. and C. E. Webster.

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COLD AFFECTS FORT WORTH SHOW ATTENDANCE

COLD WEATHER, including rain, sleet and snow, almost ruined the sheep show at the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth insofar as the spectators were concerned.

In the Rambouillet show, open class, Miles Pierce of Alpine won both championships. Pinkie Carruthers of Sanderson showed the reserve champion ewe.

The champion and reserve champion Delaine rams were shown by Lynn Kirby, 15-year-old Hamilton County girl of Evant, Texas. Joe LeMay, Goldthwaite, had the champion Delaine ewe, with Dave Watters, Goldthwaite, the reserve champion ewe.

JUNIOR LAMB SHOW

FAT LAMB — FINE WOOL: 1, Ellis Helmers, McCamey; 2, Peggy Pafford, Mullin; 3, Roger Sanders, Mullin; 4, Bud Poage, Rankin; 5, Wess Wise, Rockwood.

SOUTHDOWN GRADE OR CROSSBRED: 1, Butch Moore, Rankin; 2, Ellis Helmers, McCamey; 3, Wess Wise; 4, Aubrey Hillman, Mullin; 5, Wayne Kennemer, Rankin.

FAT LAMB—OTHER BREEDS AND CROSSES: 1, Findley Brewster, Jr., Temple; 2, Joe Brown, Henrietta; 3, Wess Wise; 4 and 5 Jimmy White, Mullin.

CHAMPION LAMB: Butch Moore, Rankin.

BEST 15 FINE WOOL LAMBS: 1, Santa Anna FFA; 2, Reagan County 4-H, Big Lake; 3, Coleman FFA.

BEST 15 MEDIUM WOOL OR CROSSBRED: 1, Upton County 4-H, Rankin; 2, Mullin FFA, Mullin; 3, Santa Anna FFA; 4, Coleman FFA; 5, Taylor County 4-H.

BEST 15 LAMBS OF SHOW: Upton County 4-H, Rankin.

In the Hampshire show the champion ram was shown by Edward Ackerman, Carlyle, Illinois; the reserve champion by Mrs. Ammie E. Wilson, Plano; the champion ewe by Glen Armentrout, Norborne, Mo., and the reserve champion by Mrs. Wilson.

FIRST PLACES IN THE SHOW: 4-6-tooth ram, Ackmann; 2-tooth ram, Harrison Davis, Dorchester; Ram Lamb, Mrs. Wilson; 4-6-tooth ewe, Armentrout; 2-tooth ewe, Armentrout; Ewe Lamb, Mrs. Wilson; Exhibitor's Flock, Mrs. Wilson; Pen of Lambs, Armentrout; Get of Sire, Armentrout.

SHROPSHIRES

In the Shropshire show the champion ram was shown by Dannie Winchester, Enid, Oklahoma; Reserve Champion, Mrs. C. E. Holt, Decatur, Texas; Champion Ewe by Oklahoma A. & M. College; Reserve Champion Ewe, Oscar Winchester and Sons, Waukomis, Oklahoma.

The first placings were as follows: 4-6-tooth ram, Holt; 2-tooth ram, Helms Brothers; Ram Lamb, Dannie Winchester; 4-6-tooth ewe, Oscar Winchester; 2-tooth ewe, Oklahoma A.&M. College; Ewe Lamb, Oklahoma A. & M.; Exhibitor's Flock, Oscar Winchester; Pen of Lambs, Oscar Winchester; Get, Oklahoma A. & M.

SOUTHDOWNS

Champion Ram, Duron Howard, Byars, Oklahoma; Reserve Champion Ram, Oscar Winchester; Champion Ewe, Duron Howard; Reserve Champion Ewe, Robert F. Cresap, Seymour, Ill.

First Placings: 4-6-tooth ram, Oscar Winchester; 2-tooth ram; Duron Howard; Ram Lamb, Helms Bros.; 4-6-tooth ewe, Robert F. Cresap; 2-tooth ewe, Duron Howard; Ewe Lamb, Mack Wilson, Sentinel, Okla.; Flock, Duron Howard; Pen, Winchester; Get, Cresap.

SUFFOLKS

First placings: 4-6-tooth Cox & McAdams, Celina; Ram Lamb, Harrison Davis; 4-6-tooth ewe, Harrison Davis; 2-tooth ewe, Harrison Davis; Ewe Lamb, Davis.

The champion ram was shown by Cox & McAdams, the champion ewe by Harrison Davis. Other places not available, due to confusion in the records.

CHEVIOTS

Four-6-tooth ram, Alvin L. Helms, Belleville, Ill.; 2-tooth ram, Helms; Ram Lamb, Donald A. Helms, Belleville, Ill.; 4-6-tooth ewe, Alvin Helms; 2-tooth ewe, Donald Helms; Ewe Lamb, Alvin Helms; Champion Ram, Alvin Helms; Reserve, D. Helms; Champion and Reserve Champion Ewe, A. Helms. All other first places, Alvin Helms.

MONTADALES

Four-6-tooth ram, Johnny Thomas May, Gallion, Ala.; 2-tooth ram, Audry Head, Snyder; Ram Lamb, Head; 4-6-tooth ewe, May; 2-tooth ewe, May; ewe lamb, Head; Champion Ram, May; Reserve, Head; Champion and Reserve Champion Ewe, May; Exhibitor's Flock, May; Pen of Lambs, Head; Get of Sire, Head.

LAMB SHOW

RAMBOUILLETS AND MERINOS

WETHER LAMBS: 1, Wess Wise, Rockwood; 2, Brooks Smith, Richland Springs; 3, Robert Wood, Coleman; 4, Charles Robert Taylor, Coleman; 5, Taylor.

Pen of three wether lambs, Taylor.

SOUTHDOWNS

WETHER LAMBS: 1, Mac Wilson, Sentinel, Okla.; 2, Derrell Griffith, Anadarko, Okla.; 3, Wilson; 4, Anette Duncan, Mullin; 5, Carolyn Branch, Rankin.

Pen of three wether lambs, 1, Wilson; 2, Gary Shults, Waukomis, Okla.; 3, Carolyn Branch; 4, Calvin Stoll, Chattanooga, Okla.

SHROPSHIRES

WETHER LAMBS: 1, Dannie Winchester, Enid, Okla.; 2, Jerry Rumage, Lawton, Okla.; 3, Oklahoma A. & M. College; 4, Oklahoma A. & M.; 5, Willard Wolf, Elgin, Okla.

Pen of three wether lambs: 1, Oklahoma A. & M.; 2, Darrell Griffith, Anadarko, Okla.

Wether Lamb: 1, Raymond Griffith, Anadarko, Okla.; Howard Vincent, Jet, Okla.; 3, Mike Henley, Seminole, Okla.; 4, Dannie Winchester; 5, Jerry Senter, Hobart, Okla.

Pen of three wether lambs: 1, Oklahoma A. & M.; 2, Murray State Agricultural College, Tishomingo, Okla.; 3, Darrell Griffith, Anadarko, Okla.

CORRIEDALES

WETHER LAMBS: 1, Santa Anna FFA; 2, Bob Edgar, Mullin; 3, Duane Purcell, Coleman; 4, Santa Anna FFA; 5, Duane Purcell.

Pen of three wether lambs: 1, Santa Anna FFA; 2, Duane Purcell.

OTHER BREEDS AND CROSSBREDS

WETHER LAMBS: 1, Wess Wise; 2, Gene Joyce, Coleman; 3, Dannie Winchester; 4, Jerry Joyce; 5, Willie Cardenas, Coleman.

Pen of three wether lambs: 1, Gene Joyce, Coleman.

Champion Fine Wool Lamb of Show, Wess Wise, Rockwood, Texas.

Champion Southdown Cross of Show, Butch Moore, Rankin, Texas.

Champion Medium Wool Lamb of Show (other than Southdown), Dannie Winchester, Enid, Oklahoma.

Grand Champion Wether Lamb of Show, Butch Moore, Rankin.

Some of these placings may be inaccurate and they are undoubtedly incomplete but are all the reporter could obtain from the stock show office.

In early February Frank Roddie of Roddie and Company, Brady, and Weldon Vaughan, representing the Top Company of Boston, bought the entire accumulation of clip at the West Texas Wool and Mohair Association, Mertzon, at a price in the neighborhood of 25c per pound for about 100,000 pounds.

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RAMBOUILLET RAMBLINGS

By MRS. RUSSELL G. HARLOW

WE WELCOME the following registered Rambouillet breeders who have recently become active members of the American Rambouillet Sheep Breeders Association: W. J. Dismukes, Temple, Texas; Malone Mitchell, Jr., Sanderson; Hal J. Yeager, Longmont, Calorado; Skyline Hereford Ranch, Buffalo, Wyoming (owned by Robert Purdy); Udell Sorenson, Ephraim, Utah; and Bobby Boyd, Seymour, Texas.

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Proud possessor of the "Silver Shears" trophy for this year is Jimmie Twain Stubblefield, Association member from Ballinger, Texas. Jimmie won this rotating trophy, presented to the premier junior Rambouillet exhibitor at the San Antonio Livestock Exposition, exhibiting his own breeding. The handsome trophy is presented in memory of Leonard Richardson by some of his friends.

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John Bledsoe, Richland Springs, Texas, has sold two registered yearling rams and a yearling ewe to R. G. Leinweber, Jr., of Mountain Home, Texas.

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H. W. Schussman & Sons, Malone, Wisconsin, have transferred ownership of two registered aged ewes to Conrad Schlaefer of Germantown, Wisconsin.

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W. W. Wendland and Son, Hamilton, Texas, have sold 18 yearling ewes to Charlie Raiborn, also of Hamilton.

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Wallace Hendricks, Dublin, Texas, reports that things "are sure wet here now. Had a small cyclone the other day — if there is any such thing as being small."

Bobby Boyd, new member from Seymour, Texas, purchased his foundation flock of 21 ewes and a stud ram, all of H. C. Wilkinson (Ranger, Texas) breeding, from Frank Wolfe, Woodson, Texas.

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George Schuman, Clearmont, Wyoming, has sold seven registered two-year-old ewes to Pete Pitsch, Garryowen, Montana.

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Rodney Davis, Sonora, Texas, has sold two of his show rams which he exhibited at San Antonio, one to A. McD. Gilliat and one to C. E. Nelson, both of Boerne, Texas.

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Harry Grabbert, of the Grabbert Bros. firm at Emblem, Wyoming, reports that they've had a long winter, but their sheep have done very well.

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Briggs Browning, Jr., Doole, Texas, has purchased four registered yearling ewes from Association member L. F. Abernathy of Millersview, Texas.

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Leo Richardson, Iraan, Texas, has sold a registered ram to Jack B. Preston, Utopia, Texas.

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Clifford Olsen, Ephraim, Utah, reports the sale of 10 Rambouillet rams. Purchaser was not disclosed.

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C. R. Swiger, Jr., new member from Junction, Texas, reports that he has purchased a ram from Pinky Carruthers, Sanderson, Texas, for $165.00. Mr. Swiger writes, "This ram, by the way, was a ribbon winner at the State Fair, and we have all the ram lambs sold in advance that we can produce from him."

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Allen D. King & Son, Merkel, Texas, have purchased 40 registered ewes from the Ranch Experiment Station at Sonora, Texas.

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Mrs. Ilo V. Irwin, Buena Vista, Colorado, has purchased five registered ewes from Colorado A. & M. College at Fort Collins.

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On a recent visit to the Association office, James Wittenburg reported that his children, Jimmie Ruth, Charlie Joe, and Marylee, who form the Wittenburg Company, are not increasing their ewe flock very fast: out of 12 fall lambs last year, 10 were rams.

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The Registered Sheep Breeders Association of Utah has selected Wynn S. Hansen, well known Rambouillet breeder, as Utah's "Sheep Breeder of the Year." Consistency of quality and high average prices paid for his sale consignments were factors considered by the three-man judging team selecting Mr. Hansen for the award.

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"Where there's a will, there's a way," or so the old saying goes, and apparently the dust we've been having in this area lately has both. G. C. Allen, Association member from Robert Lee, Texas, visited the office the other day, and related that in one of our numerous recent dust storms, in spite of the fact that his home is constructed of rock veneer, and completely weather stripped, dust blew in around the door, between the edge of the wall and the edge of the door facings—and with enough force to leave streaks of dust two to three feet long on the walls.

EARLY SHEARING LIKELY

IT IS quite likely that the spring clip of wool in West Texas will be lifted from the sheeps' backs several days earlier than last year. Word is getting around that bankers and warehousemen feel that the earlier the clip is in the warehouses the sooner it will be marketed and the better price will be received. From the growers' angle there is interest to be considered. Last year the earlier clips brought from 15% to 40% more than clips sold later in the season.

Alvis and C. C. Belcher, Brackettville, in a sale in the early part of February, sold about 1500 fed lambs to the Texas Livestock Marketing Association at 17 cents; the lambs weighed around 83 pounds and were shorn last fall.

San Angelo ranchman, Arch Benge, recently sold some 1800 Rambouillet mutton lambs to the Midwest Feed Yards at 17½ cents per pound. John H. Brown was co-owner of the lambs which are expected to average around 80 pounds.

The field day on the Miles Pierce ranch near Alpine — an annual event for the Sul Ross State College Animal Husbandry students — has been set for March 16.

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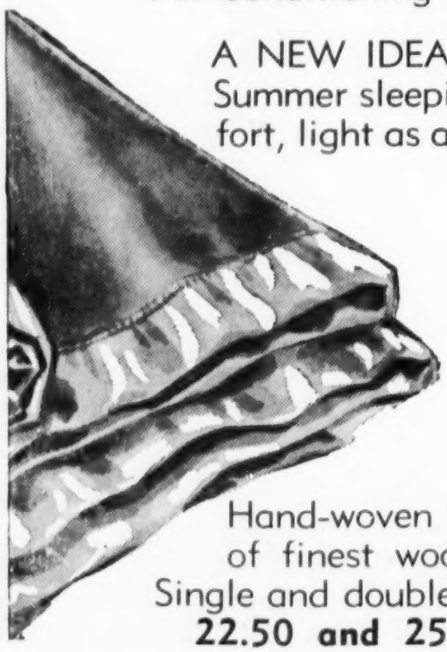

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